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A Nation Redeemed.

Words of an official formula, in another part of this week's paper. We refer to the proclamation of the Secretary of State, announcing the mentous than that which is recorded in the cold adoption of the Constitutional Amendment of this great act, nevertheless, sends a thrill to in vain to reconcile with republicanism, and



which, while it existed, was a constant source of discord and contention. It contaminated the fountains of public justice, and sought to pervert the teachings of the gospel. Socially it fostered licentiousness, and entailed on the community a hybrid race, with few of the virtues and most of the vices of the white and the black man. It made its supporters overbearing and cruel, inasmuch as it was founded on the assumption that might makes right. It debased labor, repressed literature, and repelled art. It bruoght vehemence, bluster, gasconade, the bludgeon and the bowie-knife into the halls of legislation. It encouraged extravagance, while it discouraged enterprise and mechanical industry. In every view, under every aspect, it was a curse as well as a disgrace. Let any one look over the volumes of our history, or recall the events of the last twenty years, and if there be a page he would wish to cancel, or an incident he would wish to forget, he will find that it was slavery which blotted the page or brought about the event at the recollection of which his cheek burns with shame. The extirpation of this great source of trouble and humiliation has been effected at terrible cost, but the price had to be paid sooner or later. Ten years hence the struggle would have been more severe, and the cost in blood and treasure greater still. This generation might have wished that the bitter cup might have passed away, but to it will belong the eternal glory of having consummated an act of such grand moment to humanity, of high example to mankind, that it must stand among the ages as only second in importance to the Advent of our Saviour.

Looking at this great revolution, even those who most earnestly participated in it, and contributed most to its success, stand amazed at its magnitude and completeness! Who, except those of most retentive memory could believe that an Amendment of the Constitution. now and for ever abolishing slavery, should now be in full and practical effect, when, only a little more than four years ago, the following Amendment to the Constitution was proposed in Congress by Thomas Corwin, and was approved in the House by a vote, 133 to 65; and in the Senate by a vote of 24 to 12:

"ARTICLE 12.—No amendment shall be made to the Constitution which shall authorize or give to Congr as the power to abolish or interfere, within any State, with the domestic institutions thereof, including that of porsons held to labor or service by the laws of said State."

Mr. Corwin died on the very day the Secretary of State issued his proclamation declaring slavery at an end! Only four years! Truly does the world move, at a pace little contem-plated by Mr. Corwin and the "Pacification Committee," which proposed to eternize a system that Wesley characterized as "the sum of all villainies."

It only remains for us to make this great victory for the human race complete. The spirit of slavery must die with its substance. Then, indeed, may we boast a regenerate nation, and take our proper place at the head of the grand army of human progress.

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#### Constitutional Aza adments.

Our Constitution was framed at a time when we were but three millions of people, with scarcely a fourth of our present territory, before the invention of steamers, railways or electric telegraphs, before the cotton gin had revolutionised the manufactures and commerce of the world, and before the printing press had gained its present control of human thought and action, It was framed in our national childhood, and it is not surprising that it does not altogether meet the requirements of our new and advanced condition, or conform altogether with the political ideas and necessities of this decade. Necessity has several times led us to ignore or technically

Florida, Louisiana and California. further amendment is obvious. It might be inconvenient and impolitic to call a new Convention for the purpose of radically revising it, and we may perhaps secure the changes which experience has shown to be necessary, by the process prescribed by the instrument itself, notwithstanding it is slow and cumbersome. Among the propositions for amendment now before Congress are:

1st. By Mr. Jenckes, of Rhode Island, abolishing electoral colleges, and providing that, in voting for President and Vice-President, the ballots sha'l be cast directly for the the persons to fill those offices; also limiting the right of voting to male citizens of the United States, twenty-one years old, who have lived in the State one year, in the district six months; and also empowering Congress to pass laws for registration and the prevention of fraud.

2d. By Mr. Price, of Iowa, to prohibit the ssumption by the general Government or of the States of any portion of the rebel debt.

3d. By Mr. Sumner, providing that the basis of representation for members of Congress shall be no longer population, but voters i. c., members of the House shall be apport tioned according to the number of legal voters in the several States.

4th. By Mr. Wilson, of Iowa, that, "No tax, duty, or impost shall be laid, nor shall any appropriation of money be made, either by the United States of any one thereof, for the purpose of paying, either in whole or in part, any debt, contract, or liability whatever, incurred, made or suffered, by any one or more of the States or the people thereof for the purpose of aiding a rebellion against the Constitution and laws of the United States."

This passed the House by a vote of 149 to 11, and will, no doubt, pass the Senate, and receive the requisite assent of three-fourths of the States.

5th. An amendment has also been proposed, for striking out the existing Constitutional provision prohibiting duties on exports, so as to permit Congress, in its discretion, to levy a duty on tobacco, cotton, etc., and thus compel nations who aided and abetted the rebellion to pay a part of the cost of putting it down.

Probably all of these and other amendments of the Constitution will be adopted. We feel much deeply interested in that changing the basis of representation, and then striking out the prohibition of duties on ex-

## "Napoleonic Ideas."

Among "Napoleonic Ideas," not speaking now of those of Napoleon the Great, was early that of checking the growth and limiting the power of the United States. It may not be generally known, but it is a fact, that while Napoleon (the Little) was a prisoner in the fortress of Ham, as a punish-ment for his ridiculous flasco at Strasburg, he negotiated a contract with a Secretary of the Legation of Nicaragua, in France, a certain Spaniard named Marcoleta, for the construction of a canal, an interoceanic ship canal, through that petty republic, to be called "Canal Napoleon de Nicaragua." When the "illustrious prisoner," as his eulogists delight to call him, got out of "chokey," otherwise Ham, he found refuge in England, where he wrote a pamphlet on his "Canal Napoleon de Nicaragua," which reveals whatever political ideas he then had on the subject, and which we now find practically revamped in his Mexican enterprise. The following extract from the pamphlet in question, and which appears equally in his collected writings, published, "regardless of expense," by the Imperial Government, will indicate what his sentiments towards the United States were twenty years ago, and what circumstances indicate they still Only at that time he had not the faintest notion of ever being able to put them in prac-tice, so he called on Great Britain to do it. ed in London in 1846, and on pages 6 and 7 we read:

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"France, England, Holland, Russia, and the United States have a great commercial interest in the establishment of communication between the two ceans, but England has, more than any other power, a pesitioni sissest in the execution of the project. England will see, with pleasure, Central America become a flourishing and powerful state, eskelv self! establish & belance of power, by creating in Spanish America a new centre of active enterprise, powerful enough to give rise to a great feeling of nationality, and to prevent, by baching Mosico, any further encreachments from the North. England will witness with pleasure the opening of a croute which will enable her to communicate more specially with Oregon, China and her possessions in New Holland; also will find, in a word, that the advancement of Central America will renovate the declining commerce of Junaica and the other English islands in in the Antillen, the progressive decay of which will be thereby stopped. It is a happy coincidence that the peditical and commercial prosperity of the State of Nicaragna is closely connected with the pedicy of that nation which has the greatest preponderance on the sea."

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It is clear that when Louis Napoleon wrote these lines, he had little notion of ever becoming Emperor of the Brench. The abourd failures of Boulogne and Strasburg were still fresh

jealousy and hate on the growth and prosperity several times amended it, and notably within of the United States, and sought to excite the last few months. But the necessity for England to do in Central America what he is now himself undertaking to do in Mexico. The wretched old dotard, Lamartine, fairly expounded his policy and the motives underlying it, in the article from which we last week quoted certain passages. How England undertook to follow his suggestions, and how abjectly she failed, let the history of the defunct Mosquito protectorate, of the seizure of San Juan, the robbery of the Island of Tigre, in the bay of Fonseca, the larceny of the Bay Islands, and the other fantastic and futile attempts of Great Britain to acquire and retain dominion in Central America—let these answer!

Great Britain was wise enough to discern in time the folly of her conduct, but the hero of Boulogne and Strasburg must needs now imperil his loosely-fitting crown, and endanger his dynasty, by attempting to reverse the decrees of Heaven, and turn back the globe in its orbit. "America for Americans, and sacred to republican institutions," is an irrevocuble decree of Heaven. Deus vult!—It is the will of God! and neither Great Britain or France can reverse it.

THE outrages of Spain on Chile have elicited, as we have already had occasion to notice, very strong expressions of disapprobation from Great Britain, which, however, unfortunately lose much of their value and force from the universal conviction that they have been called out by a pure selfishness—for, in fact, the rise in copper of 40 pounds per ton. The Saturday Review is hardly pressed to find a way to condemn Spain, without exposing itself to the imputation of supporting Chile, on the ground of interest alone. It says:

"It would be bad enough that France or the United States should blockade the ports of a small and unoffending power; but who is Spain, that she should threaten and tyrannies, and perhaps even meditate territorial conquest? Ingenious bondholders a seady argue, that if Valparaiso is bombarded because Yello refuses to pay a few thousand pounds to Spain, some warlite demonstration nearer home might, with equal justice, raise the market value of the Spanish Passive Debt."

It would like to have the United States interfere -a tacit confession that whatever she may do, Great Britain will do nothing but talk-but fears that the United States, having no commercial in-terest involved (only 3 per cent. of Chilean trace being in American hands), could only interfere on the basis of the "Monroe Doctrine," which it is "desirable that Englishmen should not sanction under any provocation." It is also conscious that the demands of Spain on Chile are not more absurd than have been often made by Great Britain on weak powers, as for instance in the notorious Don Pacifico case, and the later requisition on the petty Central American States. After all, how-ever, it comforts itself with the hope, rather than the expectation, that the United States will do something, for reasons cogent enough and sound enough, if the American Socretary of State, in any degree, reflected the sentiments, feelings or principles of the American people. Unfortunately he does not, and there is no hope of American aid for Chile, while Mr. Seward is Secretary of State and can control the action of the Government. We copy the paragraphs from the Review wherein it seeks comfort, and indirectly consoles itself with the prospect, cheap copper again, as follows:

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"With fourfold power, and with largely increased claims to the deference of foreign States, the American Government is not likely to tolerate any attempt to restore Spanish dominion on the continent. The occupation of San Domingo and the quarrel with Peru were undertaken, like the French expedition to Mexico, while the United States were occupied with civil war; but the blockade of the Chilean ports is less opportunely timed, and it is not impossible that, if persisted in, it may essue a serious misunderstanding. The Government of the United States at present meditates no aggressive enterprise, but in a war with Spain it would at any time have the prospect of securing an acquisition which has long been coveted by at least one section of American politicians. Ambition and philanthropy would be gratified by the conquest of Cuba, and by the emancipation of the slaves; and it would not be difficult to convince the American people that the exclusion of Spain from the islands of the Mexican Gulf was a just retribution for vexatious interference in Cibile, and the best security against the repetition of similar attempts."

Ture House of Representatives has pledged its-The House of Representatives has pleaged its-self, by a vote of 144 to 6, to co-operative action with the Secretary of the Treasury, in his policy of contracting the currency and resuming specie payments. This pledge, proposed by Mr. Alley, of Mass., is as follows :

"Resolved, That this House cordially concurs in the views of the Secretary of the Treasury in relation to the necessity of a contraction of the currency, with a view to as early a resumption of specie payments as the bus-ness interests of the country will permit; and we here-by pledge co-operative action to that end as speedily as possible."

Mn. Doolirrile has introduced a bill into the Senate in relation to the qualification of jurors and to write of error in certain cases, which provides that no person shall be held incompe to act as a grand juror by reason of having formed or expressed an opinion upon the matter in question founded upon public rumor, statements of public journals, or the common history of the times, provided he be otherwise competent, and it appear, to the satisfaction of the court, that notwithstanding such opinion, he can and will act impartially. The exclusion of jurors from sitting in cases of greatest moment, because they have formed an opinion on those cases, has risen to be be an abuse. With the present sources of information, lardly any case can come up in which reading, intelligent men have not reached some sort it is, juries are almost necessarily made up of men who perjure themselves, in order to decide on a case, for a purpose, or of ignorant longs, who have the supposed of the su violate its provisions, as in the purchase of in his mind, but he then looked with equal case, for a purpose, or of ignorant louts, who ought, hour the per-centage was 66, between 8 and 4 is

never to be entrusted with any responsibility involving intelligence or sound judgment,

"A MARITIME CONGRESS" is proposed in the English newspapers, because it is of "paramount importance that another great war should not break out before we have a clear notion as to what we can ask as beligerents, or what we ought to do as neutrals." Are you there, old Truepenny? Phantom Alabamas are more terrible to British apprehensions, just now, than were ever Flying Dutchmen to the disordered fancy of the sailor. We want no Maritime Congress. We have offered to settle with Great Britain, as we had the right and ability to do, the whole question of inter-national law on this matter, but our overture was repelled. Now we shall wait. We can afford to

THERE is something of implety, if not of blas-phemy, in the manner in which many of our clergymen, or "divines," as they like to be called, seek to "improve" current events. Only a few weeks ago, while the trials of British ordnance were going on, no less a "divine" than Dr. Cum-ming discovered in the skill and talent which are now being brought to bear on the construction of our engines of war, the fulfilment of the passage of the Apocalypse which says, after the pouring out of the sixth vial, "And I saw three unclean spirits, like frogs, come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God limighty." The three kinds of guns tried were Armstrong's, Whitworth's, and Blakeley's, who must be the devils who gave their spirits to these thundering frogs. What does Dr. Cumming say to Parrott, Dahlgren, and Rodman? Are they not also devils with frogs of their own? And are there six frogs? Are there American as well as British frogs? Or, is Dr. Cumming simply an impious fool?

We should like to know what are precisely the functions and duties, but more especially the responsibilities of the "law officers" of the British Crown? As the matter stands, it seems that the responsibility of the British Government and its ministers are all concentrated in the "law officers." An international difficulty arises, a discussion ensues, the British ministry over-whelmed by argument, driven into a corner, and called upon to accept a conclusion both right and logical, suddenly turns round, shuts off discussion, and declares the matter settled, with a "whereas the law officers of the crown have decided so and so." All argument, all claim for cecied so and so." All argument, all claim for redress, it appears, must cease and be abandoned when the spectre of the "law officers of the crown" rises in the way! They are the great "bogey" or "bugaboo," before whom mankind are to be appalled—the great oracle to whose mysterious utterance, coming whence no one knows, nations are to bow instinctively, and without reply, if not with trembling and fear. If Earl Russell thinks that the claims of the United States are to be set aside, or that we are going to accept his refusal for redress, on his simple quotation that the "law officers of the crown" have determined to decide on them after a certain fashion; if, in international affairs, we are called on to deal with such an unrecognised, not to say convenient body, let it stand out, and let the world see what it is made of, and what degree of importance is to be attached to its decisions. If it be, as there is every reason to suppose, a convenient attachment to the foreign office, a mark behind which a beaten foreign minister may hide his defeat, and evade responsibility for him and his country, let us know that. The London Saturday Review tells us that the "Alabama" and other Anglo-rebel cruisers got out, because in their cases the "law officers of the crown had decided that no illegality or reasonable suspicion of illegality had been made out against them."
It appears then that there is a British court, with no defined, no recognised international character, which actually sits and decides on international questions, and that all foreign nations are bound to accept its decisions without appeal, holding harmless the accepted organs of the British Government, in the person of its foreign minister!
This may be and is a convenient arrangement for Great Britain, but we doubt if it will be accepted by other nations.

Mr. John Van Buren may not, perhaps, be regarded as the very highest political authority in the land, but here is his opinion on the matter of conferring civil rights on the emancipated slaves, extracted from his speech made in Albany just before the State election:

"I think the negroes ought to be permitted to testify in the courts of the Southern States; and, while I am not prepared to say a State that does not allow them to testify is not Republican in its form of government—for it is—I am prepared to say, a State that does not allow the blacks to testify, does not comply in good faith with President Johnson's requirements preliminary to their introduction into the Congress of the United States."

THE habit or instinct of meteors to distinguish themselves by a grand promenade or display, on the night of the 12th of November, annually, the night of the 12th of November, annually, was illustrated, as usual, this year. Observations at the Royal Observatory of Greenwich, England, show that between midnight and five in the morning no less than 279 displayed themselves. At the last hour named the moon was shiring brightly, and the meteors were appearing at the rate of 250 an hour. It is calculated that for each meteor recorded at least two appeared. Of twice as bright as Sirius, and 138 equat to or brighter than the first magnitude stars. Meteors with trains observed numbered 16 in the first hour, 54 in the second hour, 37 in the third, 38 in the fourth and 27 in the last hour of observation, making 172 meteors with trains, leaving about 100 without trains. On the evening of the 13th day a watch was kept up at the observatory from the hour of six p.m. till midnight, with the exception of a short interval between half-past seven and eight o'clock, and two meteors only were observed eight o'clock, and two meteors only were observed during this time. From the circumstance of so few meteors being visible both before and after the calculated time, it would seem that this epoch is determined with a good deal of pre-

#### PROCLAMATION.

#### W. H. Seward, Secretary of State of the United States.

To All Whom these Presents May Come, Greeting: Know ye, that, whereas, the Congress of the United States, on the 1st of February last, passed a resolution, which is in the words following, namely:

A resolution submitting to the L gislatures of the several States a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States:

Resolved, By the Senate and Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, two-

Reserved, by the senate and Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, two-thirds of both houses concurring, that the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths og said Legislatures, shall be valid all to intents and purposes as a part of said Constitution, namely:

#### ARTICLE XIII.

SEC. 1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States or any place subject to their jurisdiction, SEC. 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this arti-cle by appropriate legislation.

And, whereas, it appears from official documents on And, whereas, it appears from official documents on file in this department that the Amendment to the Constitution of the United States proposed as aforeadd, has been ratified by the Legislatures of the States of Illinois, Rhode Island, Michigan, Maryland, New York, West Virginia, Maine, Kansas, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Ohio, Missouri, Nevada, Indiana, Louistana, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Vermont, Tennessee, Arkunsas, Connecticut, New Ham pahire, South Carolina, Alabama, North Carolina and Georgia, in all twenty-news states. seven States;

seven States;
And whereas, the whole number of States in the United States is thirty-six;
And whereas, the before specially named States, whose Legislatures have ratified the said proposed amendment, constitute three-fourths of the whole number of States in the United States;
Now, therefore, be it known that I, William H. Seward, Secretary of State of the United States, by virtue and in nursuance of the second section of the school.

tue and in pursuance of the second section of the act of tue and in pursuance of the second section of the act of Congress approved the 20th of April, 1818, entitled "An Act to provide for the publication of the laws of the United States and for other purposes," do hereby certify that the amountment aforesaid has become valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution of the United States

United states.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Department of State to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this 18th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1865, and of the Independence of the United States of America the 90th.

WM. H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

#### TOWN COSSIP.

Before this paper reaches the public Christmas will have hurried down the vale of Time, and the New Year Day, fraught with all its pleasant memories and happy surroundings, will be upon us. We remember when the good old Dutch custom,

which came from our ancestors, even before the days of which came from our ancestors, even before the days of Peter Stuyvesant, of calling upon all friends, and even mere acquaintance, on New Year's Day, was only fol-lowed in New York City; but now, we are happy to say, it has spread through all the land, and town and country alike join in one hearty greeting and renewal of old friendships and healing of old troubles. Fashion has in former years, and even now attempts to set its face against the system of New Year calls, but Fashion, in this case, is invariably wheth ways, and

Fashion, in this case, is invariably voted wrong, and Fashion, in this case, is invariably voted wrong, and the old play goes on gathering strength every year, and serving as a day of landmarks for the rising generation, and something for the aged to dwell on. It is an allowed dissipation—a day on which absolution is easily granted for excesses, when the emulation of the hour is taken into consideration. The grand struggle is for supremacy. Each belle wants to mark the greatest number. The young ladies treat those best who have the The young ladies treat those best who have the one. The young ladies treat those best who have the most friends, and can add the largest number to their list by just dropping in with Mr. Tomkins, Mr. Timkins, Mr. Wakkins or Mr. Simkins, to say nothing of all the rest of the crowd. The young gentleman desires to make the call as short as possible, and, as a consequence, rehearses his shibboleth a week in advance. It will run mewhat in this wise:

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"Ah! Miss Smith. How d'ye do? Beautiful day, isn't it? Wish you Happy New Year. No, can't sit down, positively! Must only stay one minute and a quarter. Got 312 calls to make; only made 182, and here it's almost five o'clock. Good-bye! Thank you! Thank you! Well, just half a glass. Wouldn't do it for anybody else in the world but you. Happy New Year to you, Miss Smith. Hope I'll call you by some other name next year. He! he! Good-bye!"

And Mr. Brown bows himself into the street, jumps into the carriage, and is rattled away to the 183d call, congratulating himself that he did the last within the prescribed time: while Miss Smith, before his footsteps

cribed time; while Miss Smith, before his foots have cooled upon the threshold, is going through the same performance with Jones or Robinson, a routine that is joilily kept up till after midnight, when counting time comes, and the spoils of the day, in the shape of various pencilled lists, are counted up and each visitor awarded her proper credit. As to Messrs. Brown, Jones and Robinson, they are supposed to get home times they do- but are never supposed to be able

to tell how they for it.

And thus passes the New Year's Day.

One of the chief excitements of the past two weeks has been Fenianism and its internal dissensions. We never were of those who believed that any good could ever be achieved by this organization, but as it is a subject that lies near to the hearts of many of our Irish fellow-citizens, we sorrow that trouble should have "On Friday evening last, a Miss Latey White arrived in

was 85, and afterwards 72 per cent. Four of the meteors were equal in brightness to Jupiter, two twice as bright as Sirius, and 133 equal to or brighter than the first magnitude stars. Meteors with trains observed numbered 16 in the first hour, 54 in the second hour, 37 in the third, 38 in the fourth and 27 in the last hour of observation, making 172 meteors with trains, leaving about 100 without trains. On the evening of the 13th day a watch was kept up at the observatory from the hour of six r.m. till midnight, with the exception of a short interval between half-past seven and eight of leafs, and those who had them were not disposed to yield, and those who had them not tried to get them, and thence arose the squabble. not tried to get them, and thence arose the squabble. Out of this have grown manifestoes and pronunciamentos Out of this have grown manifestoes and pronunciamentos and general fulminations, and more paper has been spoiled than, if sold at 10 cents per pound, would have subsidized the Fenion Senate and created hara-dozen new presidents. To show the result of this Fenian agi-tation in Ireland, we give this extract from a Dublin paper, of a misguided man who covets the fate of Emmett and Fitzocarald: mett and Fitzgerald:

paper, of a misguided man who covets the fate of Emmett and Fitzgerald:

The trial of O'Leary, the Fenian, terminated on the 6th inst., with a verdict of "guilty." The prisoner addressed the court and denied that he was a traitor. He said that he owed no allegiance to the Queen of England, no obecience to British laws. He was not, he said, surprised at the verdict, for a Government which had safely packed the bench had no difficulty in obtaining a verdict f. om a jury. When he had been convicted on such slight evidence, there would be no difficulty found in convicting all the rest who were to come. He declared he had been morally assassinated, and pointing to one of the crown counsel, designated him as "that miserable man." Dante had defined a traitor to be a man who betrayed his king, his country, his friends and his benefactors. As for him, England was not his country, and he was no traitor. With respect to the shedding of blood and the destruction of property, that was the necessary consequence of all revolutions, and so it was with wars; but the persons wha disturbed the country were not rebels, but agttarns. Hampden and Elliott were traitors, and Joffreys and Norbury were loy-i men.

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As a seasonable bit of groaning, we prophesy that the coming winter is to be more productive of crime than any that has gone before. The difficulty of obtaining employment in the cities is the first cause of this, and the high price of all necessaries of life the next. Men and women will be driven to crime from sheer necessity, and petty larceny will be greater than the law can take cognizance of. These facts already begin to show upon the records of the police, and are daily increasing, in spite of all their efforis. The only remedy that we can see is in the increased exertion of the wealthy and charitable in alleviating the woes of those who may be driven to dishonesty through want, but who, by small relief to keep them from cold and starvation, will still maintain their integrity. We know that professional moralists will condemn our creed, but, as it is a stern fact, we will te it go unargued.

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We never could understand why it is that the position of conductor on our city cars was so much sought. The pay is very small, not over \$14 per week, for 16 hours' labor per day, Sundays included; but we have somewhat of an unraveling of the mystery, in the declaration of a prominent city railroad officer, who declares that in one week no less than \$0 dishonest conductors were destected and dismissed by one company in one week. The companies employ detectives of every kind to spot those financial abstractors, but chiefly women—sometimes women who know and have intimacy with the men themselves. These Delilabs make a business of wooing conductors, and between what they get from the sinner and the company the business is profitable.

On the line of Broadway we have noticed, within the On the line of Broadway we have noticed, within the past few weeks, a score or two of red-capped individuals, who were an attempt to imitate the "Soldiers" Messenger Corpe." These man, for the most part, were rather a scallaway race, but not until this cold snap have our feelings been really aroused for thom. During the very coldest of these past few days, the greater part of these poof fellows have been shivering along Broadway in their fiannel sacks, or something worse, in a manner that cannot but be painful to every passer-by with an atom of humanity about him. We ask whether the company, who are supposed to employ these poor men, cannot give them something in the shape of an overcost or blanket, with which to keep in warmth and take away shivering and blue noses? Gentleman of the company, please think of this.

### EPITOME OF THE WEEK.

Domestic.—The foreign trade of Boaton this year ill amount to nearly \$60,000,000 of imports, reckoned I United States currency. There is a great increase in er East India trade, there being 15 ships on the way to

— Mr. McCullough's estimate of the cotion to come out is 750,000 bales. The English firm of Neil & Bros. give it as 960,000 bales. The exports for ten years prior to the war was over 2,000,000 bales, and for the past three months 300,000.

Gov. Jenkins, of Georgia, was inaugurated on the 14th Dec. The tone of his address is eminently loyal, patriotic and hopeful. He pays a tribute to the good conduct of the negroes during the war, tavors their receiving the fullest civil protection, and considers that their labor, rendered willing and intelligent by just and kind treatment, is indispensable to the prosperity of the State.

The Missouri Legislature has passed a bill allowing prisoners to be discharged when three-fourths of the term for which they were sentenced has expired, provided they conform strictly for that time to all the rules of the prison. The Governor is also empowered to perdon all those sentenced for life, if at the end of 15 years they can show a clear conduct record.

— It is said that the Buena Vista Vineyard, in Sonoma County, California, is the largest in the world. It consists of 6,000 acres, with 272,000 vines planted previous to 1865, and 700,000 planted or to be planted this year. Last year the yield was 42,000 gallons of still wine, 60,000 bottles of sparkling wine and 12,000 gallons of brandy. One hundred men are constantly employed, and double that number during the vintage. There are 8.000 fruit trees, and large varieties of grapes

John Taylor writes from Prince George County, Virginia, under date of November 28: "There are places all over Virginia empty and ready for northerners of every trade and calling. We are in need of mechanics, artisans and tradespeople of every kind and description. At this moment there is an opening and a chance to make money for a market-gardener, a wheelwright and blacksmith at this very place."

— A Maine paper state a that a colony of fifty families, principally from that State, is to embark for Palestine in July next. They propose to settle at Jaffa, the ancient Joppa, building lots having been purchased, and will carry with them Yankee improvements, with a view to resuscitate the great and long alumbering resources. to resuscitate the great and long slumbering resource of that once splendid land.

It proves by the confession of the murderer Cor-recently convicted and sentenced to death at ago, that three men are now under ten years sen-e in the State of Illinois, under conviction for a le for which they had nothing whatever to do. They e convicted on circumstantial evidence, and will be loned at once.

The Richmond Times laments that the fine old The Richmond Tenes tangents that the mass and were the pride of society, are rapidly dying off. It acribes the unusual mortaity of their use of new apple brandy during the war instead of good old liquors, and to other deprivations and anxieties.

this city, with a full freight for White & Cunningham six days from Shingle Springs. The lady herself drove six mustang horses over the Sierras, and landed het freight in safety at its destination in about three days quicker than is usual for teams to make the trip."

— Arthur Savoy, who was sent to prison for killing John J. Marlowe, at Boston, and died a few days atterwards, is reported to have only feigned death, and to have made guod his secape after his body was given up to his friends. His brother, however, says that he was "waked" and buried in due form.

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— A prominent bachelor politician on the Kennebeck, remarked to a lady that sospetone was excellent to keep the feet warm in bed. "Yes," said the young lady, who had been an attentive listener, "but some gentlemen have an improvement on that which you know nothing about." The bachelor turned pale, and maintained a wistful silence.

— D. S. Warren, mail-carrier from Iowa City to Washington, was frozen to death a few nights since on his way to the latter place. Mr. Warren was 78 years of age, and his horse being fast in a mudhole, and the night being dark from a snowstorm, the old mannan his horse both perished.

— The "Trent" the historical vessel cascalated with the scizure of Mason and Slidell, has no ... "ag survived the American war. At last accounts she was at the list of Dogs, where she was to be broken up. Her career is ended. Likewise that of her old passengers, w.o. went to the dogs some time ago.

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— A man in Providence, B. L., asked the city authorities to give him \$300, for injuries received through the city's neglect. It was refused. The man went to law, and the jury has just awarded him \$5,500.

— President Johnson has positively declined to accept a carriage made for him by the workmen of the army repair shop, after their working hours, and it has been purchased by Scoretary Stanton.

The average weekly receive of the measurements.

The average weekly receipts of the messengers attached to the "Soldiers' Messenger Corps," in Boston, is about \$6. The opera in that city gave them a benefit on Saturday.

— A woman in New Bedford, Mass., lately gave birth to a baby weighing 15½ lbs.

to a bay weighing 15½ fbs.

A negro jury was empanneled at Callao, Macon county, Missouri, on the 4th instant. A suit for assault and battery was brought before Squire Ballinger, in which the parties were colored citizens. A jury was summoned, composed entirely of colored man, who, after hearing the evidence and the charge of the court, assessed the fine of \$21, to be paid or replevined, and the case now stands recorded on the docket of the justices.

—— Some cotton speculations are thus noticed by the Boston Journal: "A party in this city purchased 100 bales of sheeting at eight ocusis a yard—100,000 yards in all—costing \$3,000. Within a year ensuing, this lot was sold for 40 cents a yard, thereby yielding a profit of \$22,000. Party number two held it for another rise, and sold out in another year at 60 cents a yard, realizing a profit of \$20,000. Party number three held on awhile, and then sold at 62 cents to one who has been forced to keep it until within a short time, when the career of the 100 bales came to its end at 19 cents."

— The farmers in the Catakili mountain regions complaining that the bears, said to be unusally nu ous this year, are killing large numbers of sheep.

— A young lady in Chesterfield, Morgan cour was recently shot dead by the accidental explosion gun in the hands of her lover, whom she was kis good-bye.

— A disgusted newspaper correspondent in Georgis given his opinion of a town: "Waynesborough im't a lovely place by any meazs. In fact, I don't see why anybody should desire to live here; and a forced residence of half a year might very well make a man long to be shot."

A Boston paper gravely announces that the election inspectors in that city "coincided in the view" that one big bundle of 23 ballots dropped into the box must be fraudulent. They were thrown out after much deliberation.

deliberation.

A New Orleans paper publishes a letter from Gen. Beauregard, in which he states, that at one time he thought of going to Brazil, but the generous sentiments expressed by President Johnson towards the Southern States induced him to remain in Louisiana.

Last week an occlot, or tiger-cat, was shot and killed in the graveyard at Ruahville, Indiana, where it had taken refuge in a tree. The animal had escaped from Van Amburgh's menagerie, now in winter quarters at Connersville, in that State.

— Benjamin Phinney, a wealthy farmer at Rock-port, Ill., was recently poisoned to death with strych-nine, by his fifth wife, a protty girl whom he married six weeks ago.

— A revenue cutter at New London, Conn., seized four cases of French brandy last week, which the captain of a British brig was trying to smuggle into that town.

Foreign.-An attempt is to be made to conn England by telegraph with America was Sweden and Greenland. The concession has been signed, and the work to be finished in three years.

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A Paris correspondent gives the last bon mot of the youthful daughter of one of their most gifted actresses, Augustine Brohman. The young artist, chatting to a friend on the pernicious results of smoking, remarked: "People must be mad, for it exhausts life; great smokers die sooner than other men." "Ball bali" replied Emilie A.—, "look at my father, who has smoked from his childhood to this hour, and he is seventy." "Ah!" said Augustine, "but if he had not smoked, by this time he might have been eighty."

The project of a timula through the Alres

between switzerland and Italy, appears likely to be soon realised. Well-informed persons affirm that in a few months the piercing of the 8t. Gothard will have commenced. The experience gained at Mons Cenis will be turned to account, and there is a hope that the two tannels may be opened for circulation within a snort period of each other.

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— In 1848, the population of the City of Mexico was 200,000. Travelers used to living in large cities—and many are here who are good judges—think that there are 325,000 inhabitants in Mexico now.

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— The monument which has been erected to Mr. Thackersy, in Westminster Abbey, was uncovered on the 21st uit. The memorial consists of a fine bust, by Baron Marochetti, upon a base of red serpentine, mounted on a bronze support, which bears the inscription—a simple record of the name, and of the dates of birth and death. The bust is slightly toned. It is fixed against a wall column in the south transcept, behind the statue of Addison.

statue of Addison.

— A singular incident is mentioned in connection with the death of M. Dupin, late Procureur-General of the French Court of Cassation. He died perfectly conscious of his state, but under a strange hallucination. He spoke of himself in the third person: "M. Dupin is very ill, M. Dupin is about to die," and a sew moments before he breathed his last he asked for water, which was brought to him. When he had emptied the glass, he exclaimed: "I never saw a dead man so thirsty."

— A despatch from Toulon, France, announces the arrival there of the ship-of-war Perdrix, from Liminso, in the island of Cyprus, where the crew succeeded with great difficulty in taking on beard the celebrated vase of Amathonte, one of the finest ornaments of the temple of Venus, built by the Phoenicians. This work of art weighs 13 tons, and its removal was hitherto considered impossible. red impossible.

— The Lowmoor (England) Iron Company now regularly employ three large omnibuses going around an out-district, every morning, to collect their workmen, who are thus prevented from "dropping in" at liquor shops on the way, whereby they formerly lost much time, health and money.

- A man named McDonald—a clerk, aged 37 years—has been sentenced in London to seven years penal

servitude for having three wives, and for treating them all with the grossest neglect, leaving them at times without food.

— The trial of the murderer Forward, who killed his wife and three children, was to have begun at Maid-stone, England, on the 16th of December. He has been employed for weeks back in preparing a large number of crasty letters, addressed to people of high rank in

The most extensive brewery in the world is at Dublin, Ireland. It employs 390 men. It turns out about 15,000 hogsheads of beer per day. Each workman is allowed a quart per day. The browery was started in 1780.

The latest novelties of Paris fishions are jewelry made in the ancient Egyptian and Enthagenian style, and hieroglyphics stamped or worked on ladies' dresses and crinoline.

Queen Victoria expects to spend part of next summer in Upper Austria, at a place called Waisce, on the Danube, where the Duke of Saxe Coburg possesses an estate, which he has recently visited.

— It is stated that the butchers in England are working up horseflesh into sausages on account of the high price of good beef, consequent upon the cattle plague.

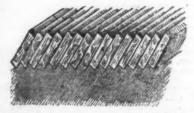
— It is stated that as the Emperor Napoleon III. is forbidden by his physicians to smoke, he is distributing his meerschaums among his friends.

— Among the funds in the hands of the Corporation of London is a sum of two hundred pounds a year, left in trust "to burn heretics."

THE accompanying engravings illustrate our remarks in a late article on "Horses and Pavementa." Our readers will recognise in one the smooth, flat and



treacherous surface of the Russ pavement. The other represents the mode adopted in the Strand, Londer, where by tilting narrow stones, the pavement is, a 4



vere, firmly tied together, while a rough surface is obtained. By splitting the present Russ pavement, and relaying it in this manner, its objectionable features

WATT'S SANCTUM .- In the house which he lived in, at Heathfield, about two miles from the centre of Birmingham, and which is the property of his great grandson of the name, his study has, through the good taste of this gentleman, been left precisely as it was at the great man's death. It is a small, one-windowed garret, at the top of the house, with a cored ceiling, filled with models, and pilles of objects of every kind on tables, and a few books on the shelves, with many jare and packets, carefully libelled in his handwriting. He appears to have been occupied, at the time of his death, with his machine for copying busts and bea-reliefs, as there is a large machine for this purpose near the window, and about the room are busts of hims if and various casts, upon which he was trying experiments. Such an invention has, as is well known, been since perfected, and introduced exclusively in the manufacture of bronze statuettes from the antique. The stove contains the sakes of the last fire at which he, perhaps, warmed his hands, as he watched the progress of some experiment, and there is the little sand-bath on the top, and a tiu blower, all left precisely as they were found. taste of this gentleman, been left precisely as it was at the

SINGULAR DUEL-Two worthies, who had other for some time, happened to meet recently in a public house in Pulteneytown, where they mutually public house in Pulteneytown, where they mutually determined to settle up old scores, mine host volunteering to act as referee. The most natural weapon, the fist, was of course the only one that had occurred to them; but mine host, having one eye to his business and another to his fun, suggested that their quarrel was not one which should be settled by the vulgar resort to fisticuffs. Would they allow him to select the weapons with which they should fight? "Agreed," said both the worthies. "Well, gentemen," said mine host, "you shall fight it out across this table; and your weapons shall be, not pistols, but soda-water bottles." A dozen baskets having been supplied to each, the fight began in downright carnest, each firing away his corks as fast as he could make them "pop," and by the time that each had stood a dozen rounds from his opponent they were tired enough, and the ludicrouncess of the operations having changed their wrath to laughter loud and long they shock hands and departed not foce. Int pperations having changed their wrath to laughter land long, they shook hands and departed, not focs.

WE regret that in giving the fine portrait of the Mayor elect, John T. Hoffman, in last week's paper, that we omitted giving credit for the beautiful photo-graph from which it was taken, to Mr. M. B. Brady, corner of 10th street and Broadway. We feel in necessary from the reception of many favors from M Brady, who deservedly holds the position of the fir photographer in the world.

JEROME HOPKINS'S CONCERTS. - The afternoon monthly concerts of this able plants increase in popularity. The second one, at Wallack's Thratre, on the 20th, attracted a crowd of fashionable fair ones, who through the beautiful building in every part. Mr. Hopkins was frequently encored.

Taming Fish.—A little girl, residing near a pond in Massachusetts, has succeeded in taming some of the fish, by throwing crumbs of bread, crackers, etc., into the water. The species called the perch seem to be the most tractable and docile. One of them often takes the end of her finger in its mouth, while as other will glide gently into her hand and turn on one side, and so remain, apparently reposing, till raised quite to the surface. The little girl walks out on a plank, sustained a few ir ches above the water, and, before she reaches the end of the plank, the fish may be seen darting rapidly towards their feeding ground. The larger ones, especially, are disposed to drive off the smaller ones, but she keeps refer among them by means of a sick with a sewing acedle attached to the end of it, and when one picks a quarrel he gots a stab, and is off at once.

A New York Sabbath sehool teacher asked a TAMING FISH. - A little girl, residing near

A New York Sabbath school teacher asked a young pupil the meaning of "the wages of sin is death." The boy did not know what wages were, and was acted, "What his father get on Saturday night?"
"Drunk," was the answer.

#### ANDREW JOHNSON, President of the United States.

What romance can any one want more full

rith incident than that of the life of our President? Andrew Johnson was born in Baleigh, North Caro-na, December 29, 1808. His father died when he was lins, December 29, 1808. His fatner used when he scarcely four years of age, leaving his family very poor. The child finally became the immate of the almahouse of Wake county, North Carolina, where he remained until he was ten years old; he was then apprenticed to until he was ten years old; he was then apprenticed to a sallor in Raleigh, and thus labored for seven years. He had never attended school, but he evinced the greatest desire to acquire knowledge, and spent much of his leisure time in study. A gentleman of the place was in the habit of visiting the shop and reading, while the apprentices and journeymen were at work. The selections were from a volume of speeches of British statesmen, and young Johnson at once took great delight in them. He thought it would be the consummation of his happiness if he could read and comprehend these speeches. He procured an alphabet, and without an instructor, attempted to learn to read. When at a loss to know a lotter, he received assistance

letter, he received assistance from the journeymen, and at length mastered his task. After this he borrowed the After this he porton gave book, and the owner gave fore he became a good reader, and after having spent ten or tweive hours in his daily labor, he would give two or three hours to mental improvement. On the completion of his apprentice-ship in 1824, he removed to ship in 1824, he removed Laurens Court House, Sc Carolina, where he worked Carolina, where he worked as a journeyman. Here he won the affections of a young lady, who premised to have him provided he could get her mother's consent. One Sunday Andy plucked up courage and spoke to the mother on the subject near-est his heart. To his disest his heart. To his dis-may, the old lady began to abuse him without mercy,

"You triffing, worthle vagahond, do you suppose I am going to let my daughter marry a wandering journeymen tailor? I know what you want; you are too lazy to work, and you are after

my property."

The old lady was the owner of three negroes. The poor tailor gave up his suit in

In May, 1826, he returned to Raleigh, where he pro-cured work, and remained until September. Later, he journeyed westward, and engaged in work at Greenville, entirely dependent upon him for support, and she had ac-companied him. After about a year he married, and then went further west, but re-turned to Greenville and commenced business. He was still ardent in the pursu't of knowledge, and now, under the instruction of his wife, he entered upon the higher branches of study, acquiring a good fund of in-formation. During the day and part of the night he pursued his fatiguing occur tion, and at midnight por over his books with his loving instructress

In 1828 he was elected to his first office as alderman of the village, and was twice reelected. He was next elected mayor, and served for three years. In 1835 he was elected to the State Legislature; in 1837 defeated as a candidate 1897 defeated as a community of the same position, and in 1890 again elected by a large majority. His political life was early marked by bold was early marked by bold was early marked by bold and comprehensive views of public affairs. In 1841 he was elected to the Senate. In 1848 he was elected to Congress, serving by successive re-elections until 1850. During his career in that sifter he advocated the bill for refunding the fire me. for refunding the fine im-posed upon Gen. Jackson at New Orleans in 1815, and the Texas, Tariff of 1846, the war n res of Mr. Polk's admi

bill. In 1855 he was elected Governor of Tennessee, after an exciting canvass. He was re-elected in 1855 after another spirited contest. At the expiration of his second term in 1857, he was elected to the Senate of the United States for the term ending March 3, 1863. He, however, never completed his term. On March 4, 1864, he was confirmed by the Senate of the United States Military Governor of Tennessee, with the rank of Brigadier-General, with all the powers, duties, and functions pertaining to that office, during the pisseure of the President, or until the loyal imbabliants of the Sinte should organize a civil government in secondance with the constitution of the United States. The designation of Gen. Johnson for the position was considered by everybody as eminently proper, both in view of his peculiar fitness for the office and of his great popularity among the loyal people, besides his devotion to his own State. The Governor, by the acceptance of the office, necessarily vacated his position as Senator.

Before the secression of the Cotton States was accomplished, Mr. Johnson made several powerful speeches in the Senate, demonstrated a wide attention both North and South. Which attracted a wide attention both North and South. When passing through Lynchburg, his war to Temmesse, he arrest. I possible, the act

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of secession, a crowd of rowdies entered the car at the depot, and one of them, the editor of the Lynchburg Republicus, pulled the nose of the Senator. Knowing the potent power of his tongue in convincing the people of their duty, the secessionists prevented him speaking in Middle and West Tennessee. Most of his old political associates were plotting the overthrow of the Union, but neither promises of power, nor threats of dire vengeance, could move him from his uncompro-mising loyality. He was obliged to love the State, and subsequently his family received many indignities.

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Atter his return to the State in 1862, a series of Union meetings were held at different points, which were addressed by Governor Johnson and other prominent Unionists. The guerillas laid various plans for the capture of the Governor, but were defeated by the watchfulness of his friends. Persons returning from the meeting were murdered. On the return of the train with the Governor and party, the bodies of six or seven Union men were found at Murfreesbore. Bays a statement:

"Much excitement existed among the towns-people and they unitedly pressed the Governor to remain, as

on all sides. Visions of a neurderous smash-up were constantly before our eyes. Governor Johnson exhibited no signs of alarm whatever. He conversed as pleasantly and as composedly as he ever 4th. He had made up his mind to one thing—never to be taken alive by his enemies; and the few devoted friends who were near him shared with him this resolve.

The train reached Nashville in safety at about nine

The train reached Nashville in safety at about mine o'clock. At a later hour the same night the guerillas tore up the track, and the next train that went over the road was thrown off. During the siege of Nashville, in the autumn of 1862, Governor Johnson, while viewing an engagement from the cupola of the capitol, made the remark, "I am no military man, but any one who talks of surrendering I will shoot."

Mrs. Washington Barrow, wife of a very rich and prominent secessionist, called on Governor Johnson to know by what right certain claims of hers on the riverfront were infringed upon?

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"By the right of conquerors," was the reply.

Some of the secessionists were taking the oath pres-cribed by the Governor, when one of them approached Col. —, who had recently subscribed to it, and said:

any single occasion, to a greater extent than possibly

any single occasion, to a greater extent than possibly clergyman would at a sacrament; and as for the smaller vices, he was free from them all.

On the 8th of June, 1864, Mr. Johnson was nominated as the candidate of the Republican party for Vice-President of the United States, and elected in the following November. He lett Tennessee entirely tranquil, and repairing to Washington, was sworn into office on the 4th of March. By the death of President Lincoln by the hand of the assassin, Mr. Johnson became his successor, and was quietly inangurated at his rooms at the Kirkwood House, at 11 o'clock, on the morning of the 15th of April. In a short address, he said: "Toll and an honest advocacy of the great principles of free government have been my lot. The duties have been mine—the consequences are God's. This has been the foundation of my political creed. I feel that in the end the Government will triumph, and these great principles will be permanently established."

President Johnson is of tall, full person, long and muscular. He has a large round head, with prominent features and marked intellectual characteristics. His oyes are clear, with a steady, unfinching gaze, and both these and his mouth show

these and his mouth show his bold, resolute nature. The nation has been long looking for a President with looking for a Fresident with Jacksonian will, and they are likely to find one in Andrew Johnson. Let them survey the calm, honest face of their new ruler, and they will see the lineaments which most strikingly typify the far-see-ing thinker and the man of from nurpose. Obtaicles only iron purpose. Obstacles only inspire him with greater de-termination, and responsi-bility only strengthens his nerve for the discharge of duty. The child of poverty and obscurity, the victor and obscurity, the victor over ignorance and caste, he will stand proudly as the champion of free constitutional government, and faithful to the high trusts to which destiny has borne

#### HENRY W. LONG-FELLOW

Is the son of the Hon. Stephen Longfellow, of Port-land, Maine, and was born in that city February 27th, 1807. At fourteen he entered Bowdoin College, and four years later took his degree with high honors. For a few months in 1825, he was a law student in the office of his father, but having been offered a professorship of modern languages in Bow-doin College, with the view of qualifying himself for the post, he passed three years and a half in travelling in France, Spain, Italy, Ger-many, Holland and England, and returning to this country in 1829, entered upon the duties of his office. In 1835 Mr. G. Ticknor having resigned his professorship of modern languages and belles lettres in Harvard College, Atr. Longfellow was appointed to the vacancy. He then gave up his chair at Bowdoin and again went abroad to become mere thoroughly acquainted with the languages and I terature of Northern Europe. He passed more than a year in Soon dinavia, Germany and Switzerland, and again returned to America in the autumn of 1836, to enter upon his duties at Harvard, where he has since resided, except during a brief visit to Europe in

While yet an under graduate, Mr. Longfellow wrote many tasteful and highly finished poems for the United States Literary Gasette, and while Professor at Bowdoin College contributed valuable criticisms to the North American Review. In 1833 he published his translation of the fine Spanish poem of Don Jorge Manriques, on the death of his father, to-gether with an introductory

essay on Spanish poetry.
In 1835 appeared his
"Outre Mer;" in 1839 "Hyperion," and "Voices of the
Night." In 1841, Ballads and other Poems; in 1842, Poems on Slavery. From this time Mr. Longfellow

the literary world recognised his labors with the high est honors. In 1865 appeared his "Song of Hiawatha." than which, perhaps, no poen ever clicited more notice or criticism on its drat appearance. From that to the present, Mr. Longfellow has gone steadily on, adding to an already high reputation by every work he has offered for public suffrage. No American post is so popular and well known, and none has been so frequently trans-lated and reprinted in foreign countries.

#### ANDREW JOHNSON'S INAUGURA-TION.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN was assassinated on the evening of April 14th, and on the 15th, Andrew Johnson was sworn into the high office of President of the United States.

United States.

The ceremony took place at his own rooms at the Kirk-wood House, at 10 o'clock in the morning, in the presence of Hon. Salmon P. Chase, Hon. Hugh McCallough, Secretary of the Treasury; Mr. Attorney-General Speed, F. P. Blair, esn.; Hon. Montgomery Blai



EARLY MORNING-FREDING THE KITTENS. -FROM A PAINTING BY H. KRETZCHNER.

they were confident the train would be attacked or destroyed before it reached Nashville."

"My trianda," replied the Governor, "I thank you for your kind solicitude, but my duty calls me to Nashville, and I am going there to-night."

The passengers were in a great size of perplexity and anxiety. Some concluded to remain over; others determined to stick to Andy Johnson; and one of the latter, discovering in the trillyth to four leaved clover. determined to stick to Andy Johnson; and one of the latter, discovering in the twilight a four-leaved clover by the side of the track, held it up to the crowd, and declaring it to be a good omen, they all resolved to stick to Andy Johnson. Come what would, they then took their seats in the cars, Governor Johnson looking as caim and unconcerned as if he were going to a pionic. About this time the engineer of the train began to exercise a little authority, as he felt himself responsible for the safety of the train. He saked Col. Lesier privately what he thought it best to do—return to Shelbyville.

the satest of the train. He asked out Asser privately what he thought it best to do—return to Shelbyville, remain at Murfreesboro, or proceed to Nashville.

"Put Andy Johnson in Nashville as quek as possible," was the reply. And away we went. Night was fast closing around around us, and we had some thirty ralles to travel, with the devilleh guerillas besetting us

"Well, Colonel, I hear you've jined. Is it so?"

"Well, I'll jine, too."

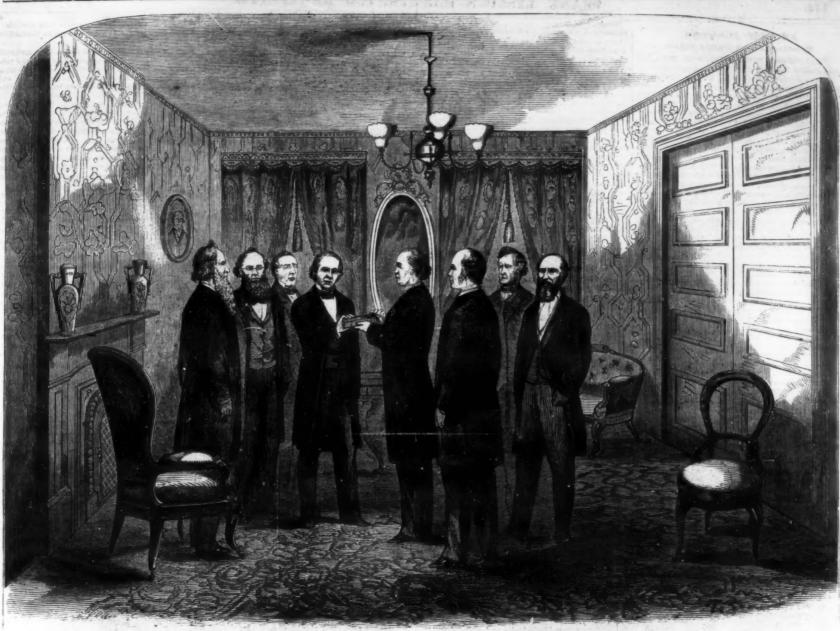
The man took the oath amid much merriment. Governor Johnson himself relaxed the usual rigidity of his features at the quaint remark. The following dialogue occurred between the Governor and a rebel physician:
Dr. Hall—"Governor Johnson, I know you have a grudge against me, and you are now gratifying your

Governor Johnson—"I have no reason to gratify any entment I may entertain towards you, no.

Dr. Hall—"Why have you no reason?"
"Governor Johnson—"Because I consider you too
ontemptible to excite an emotion of resentment in any

Dr. Hall jumped to his feet, but the determined demeanor of the Governor overswed him, if he did en-tertain hostile intentions. Governor Johnson then tarned quietly on his heel snd left the room. At this period, Governor Johnson is spoken of as a

model of ebstemiousness. He never played cards for amusement or gain. He never indulged in drink on



ANDREW JOHNSON TAKING THE GATH OF OFFICE IN THE SMALL PARLOR OF THE KIRKWOOD HOUSE, WASHINGTON.

Senator Foote, of Vermont; Senator Yates, of Illinois; Senator Ramssy, of Minnesots; Senator Stewart, of Nevada; Senator Hale, of New Hampshire; Gen. Farus-

worth, of Illinous. The cath, in the following words:

"I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States, and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States,"

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were devoted to conversation, but the terrible event of the past few days hung like a pall over every head, and cast a dark shadow over every face.

Those days have grown into history, and every word, look and action among those who were prominent in them will always be of deep and abiding interest. In this light we produce them as national pictures, and worthy of careful preservation.

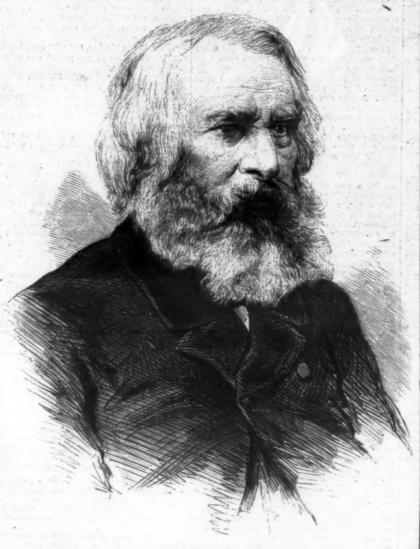
#### FIRST VISIT OF THE AMBASSA-DORS TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

THE members of the diplomatic corps called upon President Johnson, at his rooms in the Treasury building, on the afternoon of the 20th of April, 1866, Sir Frederic Bruce, the new Minister from England, with his attackés, called a few minutes before the balance with his diffacts, called a few minutes before the balance arrived, and presented his credentials. He was to have been presented to Mr. Lincoln at the White House the previous Saturday, but the untimely and tragical death of Mr. Lincoln on Friday night prevented his meeting him as bad been arranged, and he was this morning introduced to President Johnson. They had a cordial interview for a few moments before the other ambasadors arrived. It was exceedingly certial and pleasant on both sides.

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mations made their appearance, and marched through the long halls leading from the State Department, thence across the building through the hall leading from the middle entrance on the east side of the building to the Secretary of the Treasury's room, now occupied by the President. They were escorted by Mr.

Hunter, acting Secretary of State, he walking arm in arm with Baron Von Gerolt, Minister from Prussia. The following ambassadors were also present—M. Ed, ward de Stockl, Minister from Spain; Senor Luis Molins, Minister from Cosia Rica; Col. W. R. Rasaloft, Minister



PROFESSOR HENRY W. LONGFELLOW. - PROM A PROTOGRAPH BY PREDRICKS.

from Demmark; Col. Bertinatil, of Italy; Senor Matias Romero, of Mexico; Gen. Eustorgio Sulgar, of Colombia; Baron de Wittersedt, of Sweden; Baron Wyddenbruck, of Austria; T. G. Asta Burnaga, of Chile; M. L. de Geofroy, Charge d'Affaires, from Prance; Senhor Barboyada, Charge d'Affaires, from Drasil; Mr. Rosing, Charge d'Affaires, from the Hansestic Republic; Alfred Borghmans, of Belgium, and Mr. Garcio, of Peru. They were mostly aitended with their secretaries and other estackée, all arrayed in full court dress, most of them wearing the badge of mourning on their left arm.

The Minister from Portugal, and M. Von Limburg, of the Netherlands, were not present. Probably they did not receive notice of the intended visit.

Baron Yon Geroli read the following formal address of condolence, sympathy and good wishes of the representatives of the foreign governments under the present trying times:

MR. PRESIDENT—The representatives of foreign nations have assembled here to express to your Excellency their feelings at the deplorable events of which they have been witness, to say how sincerely they share the national mourning for the oruel fate of the late President—Abraham Lincoln—and how deeply they sympathise with the government and people of the United States in their great affection. With equal sincerity we tender to you Mr. President, our best wishes for the weither and prosperity of the United States, and for your personal health and happiness. May we be allowed, also, Mr. President, to give utterance, on this occasion, to our sincerest hopes for an early re-establishment of peace in this great country, and for the maintenance of the friendly relations between the government of the United States and the governments

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GENTLEMEN OF THE DIPLOMATIC BODY—I heartily thank you, on behalf of the government and people of the United States, for the sympathy which you have so reclingly expressed upon the mouraful events to which you refer. The good wishes also which you so kindly offer for the welfare and prosperity of the United States, and for my personal health and happiness, are gratefully received. Your hopes for the early restoration of peace in this country are cordinally reciprocated by me. You may be assured that I shall leave nothing undone towards preserving those relations of friendship which now fortunately exist between the United States and all foreign powers.

THE FIRST CABINET MEETING Under the Present Administration.

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This most important event in the history of our country, an event which we perpetuate by a draw ing taken on the spot, occurred at 10 o'clock, on the morning of April the 16th, Sunday, at the private office of Secretary McCullough.

At this meeting there was present President Johnson, Hugh McCullough, Secretary of the Treasury; Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War; Oldeon Wolles, Secretary of the Navy; William Domisson, Poetmasher-General J. P. Usher, Secretary of the Interior; and James Speed, Attorney-General.

That the necessity was urgent and the deliberation solemn, it is unnecessary to say. It was in the very midst of one of the most terrible of national calamities, and the country from one and to the other had been suddenly thrown into a state of mourning and agitation, from the very height of hope and rejocing. The death of that great and good man, Abraham Lincoln, by the hand of the assassin, was an event well-calculated to overthrow even the calmest minds, and every man in authority stood upon his guard, for none knew how far the plot extended, or who might be the next victim.

Those were the circumstances under which the first Cabinet meeting, under the present Administration, took place.

#### THROUGH THE CHURCHYARD RAILS.

BY J. W. WATSON.

WITH timid steps and downcast eyes, She came beside my knee, And stifling back a little sob, My darling spoke to me. " Papa, I'm very, very sad,
A thought comes in my head,
Suppose your tiny baby girl
Should be some morning dead

I caught the little prattling thing Close to my throbbing breast, And with my kisses wild and warm, I hushed her into rest.

I hushed her into rest,
"Who taught you, darling, words like these,
To startle all my fear,
Who bade you think so sad a thing,
That Death should be so near?"

" Papa, none bade me think of death. The thought is all my own, It came this morning to my head As we walked out alone. We walked along the crowded street, And by the churchyard rail, And then came whispering in my ear, This simple little tale.

" It said: look, Maggie, through the bars, And see how many graves, They lie in furrows, as the sea Is furrowed by the waves. Some rank with grass of many years, And some are newly made; The rich, the poor, the old and young, All side by side are laid.

" I looked and marked the many rows, As far as I could see, And oh, Papa, I saw that some Were shorter far than me. And then I thought how sad a thing 'Twould be, Papa, for you, If I should think that I would die And that my thought came true

"That on some dreary autumn time, Perhaps like this to-day. You walked beside the churchyard rails And Maggie far away. Away among the countless graves, Of every shape and size, And Papa by the iron bars, With hot tears in his eyes."

The years have swept above my head, Since those fond tones I heard, And here beside the churchyard rail, I think of every word. The scalding tears are in my heart, For Maggie hes within; Oh, God! this crown you offer us Is fearful hard to win.

## MISS NATALIE'S FRENCH MAID.

MADEMOISELLE NATALLE VAUX sat opposite her father at an exceedingly dainty and well-ordered breakfast table; a frown upon her white forehead, a pout upon her pretty mouth.
At last her dissatisfaction and anger became so

evident that her father, by no means a clever person, yet not entirely blind, observed it. "What is annoying you, Natalie?" At this question the young lady frowned still more ominously, then burst into a perfect tempest

"Fanchon—that hateful—wretch—I won't-

have her—another day!"
"My darling Natalie!" and the anxious father
dropped his paper and stared at his daughter in a
state of perfect bewilderment.
"Has Fanchon been impertinent? Don't cry,

lear-we will dismiss her this very instant." "Yes, father, I hate her."

The sobs became more violent, and the dis-tressed gentleman made a rush at the bell, and rang it with the utmost energy. Then to the servant who answered it:
"Say to Fanchon that Miss Natalie does not

require her services any longer, and that she is desired to leave the house immediately. Her luggage can be sent to any direction she may give, but tell her to go now."

If Yaux, pere, had not had his face turned from his aggriered daughter, as he issued this com-mand, he might have been edified, by seeing a bright black eye, entirely innocent of a tear, gazing triumphantly out from behind the lace mouchoir

pressed so convulsively to the fair face.
"Thank you, papa," in a grateful but still agitated voice; "that girl was the torment of my life. I haven't—spoken before, because you seemed to like her so much, but her insolence something too great to be borne. I'm so

glad-A flush of pleasure made the ruddy English cheeks of Mr. George Vaux still redder, and his voice was as triumphant as that peering eye had

moment before, as he said : "Thanks, Natalie, for such a proof of your affection. I did like the girl, but if I had known that she was annoying you she should not have stayed in the house another minute. Why didn't you speak before, child?" Here he pau then went on hastily, as if a long sought-for chance had presented itself, "I hope you have not forgotten that Mr. Gilbert comes to-night for his answer." Another pause, and an accession of melo-dramatic sternness to the voice. "You know, Natalie, that your future prospects depend upon your decision. If you refuse so good a upon your decision. If you refuse so good a husband as Mr. Gilbert, it must be for the sake of that vagabond of an artist, And"—with rising indignation—"you needn't think to make me revoke my decision, either. I met the rascal

in the street to-day, and told him that if he ever | dared to set his foot inside my door again, I would thrash him within an inch of his life. So,

do you hear, no hopes in that quarter!"

And having worked himself up into a towering

rage, Mr. George Vaux stalked from the room. It was rather remarkable that all this dictation and anger produced so slight an effect upon a person of Miss Natalie's temper. No sooner had the door closed behind her father than she sprang to her feet, put her handkerchief in her pocket, smiled gaily, hummed a little tune, and danced out of the room by another door.

That night, arrayed in her daintiest fashion, and in the best possible spirits, the young lady astonished her old and almost discouraged lover by murmuring a soft "yes" to his proposal of marriage, instead of the stern "no," he had expected. Her father was equally astonished and delighted, so much so, indeed that he presented her that night with a deed which entitled her to five thousand a year for the remainder of her life five thousand a year for the remainder of her life
—not so much, to be sure, but still enough to keep one, perhaps two, from starving.

From that all was peace between father and daughter, so long at variance, for this marriage had been a mooted question for over six months. The father insisting upon so desirable a match, the daughter rebelling against the ngly face and forty years of her suitor. Perhaps Miss Natalie was not altogether to blame—we should have said responsible—for her dislike to Mr. Gilbert, since to an artistic nature like hers—which had been assiduously cultivated—what could have been more disagreeable than the idea of a lover and a husband, whose eyes were of a pale green, whose nose was always pinched and blue, and whose general appearance suggested the idea of a miserable half-starved chicken standing out in the

In contrast to this visage, so continually thrust upon her notice, Miss Natalie was forced in selfdefence to contemplate that of her teacher—a handsome young man of twenty-five. And was she to blame for liking to look at that winsome face? Can you censure her, that as she watched him day by day, as their hands touched, their eyes met, their voices mingled, she grew to love him only as such black-eyed resolute women do

You ask if Miss Natalie saw no other men but these two? Most certainly she did. Young, pretty, rich, she moved in the best circles, but among all her admirers she found none so hand-some, so noble as the artist, who came twice a week to give her lessons in oil painting. In the course of time Miss Natalie's father grew suspicious, insisted on being present at two or three lessons, watched the two young people with sharp eyes, and drew his own conclusion. The was that he forbade his daughter to continue her artistic pursuits, for an indefinite length of time, alleging that her health suffered thereby.

With many black looks and many displays of temper, Miss Natalie obeyed, but beyond a certain point her father could not control her. He had forbidden her to take lessons of the artist, Esmond Hillyar, but he could not compel her to be courteous to the millionaire, Isaiah Gilbert. Neither could be prevent chance (?) meetings in the street, at the theatre, in picture galleries, with the same troublesome artist. Neither could he control the United States Mail, which not unfrequently performed the office of carrier pigeon, and conveyed tender epistles backward and forward between the two lovers.

So stood matters on the morning on which our story opens. As we are too fast, we must go back to the previous afternoon. It was precisely back to the previous afternoon. It was precisely five o'clock, and Miss Natalie Vaux, in the most stylish of pony phaetons, rolled through the Park. Among the hundreds of lovely women present that June afternoon, not one was more elegant, more piquant, more admired than this same Natalie. Perhaps the consciousness of this was the cause of the warr brilliant idea which was the cause of the very brilliant idea which suddenly came to the young lady. As the thought became well defined and shapely, she laughed a little gleeful laugh, struck her ponies smartly with the ivory-handled whip, and dashed on like a whirlwind. Just as she reached the open space before the Casino, a gentleman on foot open space before the Casino, a gentieman on foot passed her, and bowed deferentially. In an instant the ponies were checked, the equipage stationary. The gentleman turned back and came to the side of the carriage.
"Esmond," said the young lady, hurriedly yet softly, "I have a plan; come closer, dear, and listen; such a capital idea!" and in a few moments the

plan, whatever it was, was unfolded, and approved by her handsome listener.

Again the ponies felt the whip, and the phaeton rolled on, out of the park, through street after street, until at last it drew up before the door of

her own stately home.

That night as the clock struck one, that very door opened noiselessly, and a slight tall figure, well disguised by the brown cloak enveloping it, stole out, glided down the marble steps, joined another figure, that had been stationary for the last half hour. A few rods further down the street, and the two turning a corner disappeared. An hour afterwards the two figures came back and bade each other a hasty adieu at the foot of the marble steps.

Perhaps the printer, who passed at that instant, hurrying home from the hot and crowded press room, was mistaken, or, was still dreaming of the story he had just been "setting up." Be this as it may, upon reaching home, he declared to his better half, that "he passed in —th street a man and a woman, who stood at the foot of a flight of white marble steps. This was nothing strange to be sure, but it was strange that as the man turned to go, the woman stretched out hastily a hand, white as snow, and glittering with jewels, saying, tenderly, something about 'to-morrow-bless you, my husband—Fanchon—letter of re-commendation—French cap—speak low,'" and

still more of the same kind that he could not un derstand or hear, for the man, seeing that they were watched, suddenly turned and walked away. Now, my dear reader, we have brought you safely to the opening of the story, even to detailing the events that occurred a few hours before.

To continue. You have already learned that the offending maid has been dismissed, and that Miss Natalic, strange to say, has accepted her old suitor, and is, apparently, in the best of spirits.

The next morning an advertisement appeared in the papers, wherein it was set forth that a French or Swiss maid, highly recommended, was required immediately by a lady who was soon to make the tour of Europe, and wished the said

maid to accompany her.

Need we say that the lady was Miss Natalie, and that the tour was to take place immediately after he wedding?

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The young advertiser remained at home that morning, and went through the ordeal of receiving and reviewing six Gallie damsels, emulous of the honor of waiting upon "Mademoiselle Vaux."

None met her approval, however, and the next day, as fate would have it, mademoiselle's father declared himself too unwell to go down town, and

desired Natalie to receive the applicants in the library, in which retreat he had ensconced himself for the day. There was no help for it, so she yielded with a good grace, and sat beside him for over an hour, reading in a voice suspiciously monotonous. It was evident that she was trying

It was labor thrown away, however, for at the first ring of the bell that asgacious gentleman opened his eyes—which his daughter had fondly imagined to be closed in sleep—coughed, sat up, and observed, in a tone of great self-congratu

"How fortunate, Natalie, that I happen to be home. I am a great judge of character, and may prevent you from engaging some swindling girl who would rob you right and left, shem!"

Mice Natalie was protected in suppose but each of

Miss Natalie was not at all nervous, but as she heard this speech, her face flushed and her hand

Scarcely had the pompous "ahem!" died upon Scarcely had the pompous "anem;" dued upon the air before the library door was opened, and a dapper little figure ushered in— a bourgeoise copy of Mademoiselle Vaux herself. Notwithstanding all her very evident qualifi-

Value of the father's diamonded hand. Half an hour elapsed, then came another ring, another applicant was announced, and con-

The advent of this person was greeted; on the part of the father, by an involuntary "What a giantess!" on that of the daughter by a quick

drawn breath, and then an approving smile.

Truly, the applicant was not an ordinary looking individual. Very tall, rather stout, but well formed, with dark hair, combed modestly down ing individual. over her ears, and almost covered by a French peasant's cap; white, even teeth, a brown com-plexion, and large blue eyes that had a strangely "out of place" look in that dark face. Notwith-standing a certain gaucherie in dress and general appearance, the woman was very handsome, and promised to be still more so when tastefully dressed.

"Do you speak English?" inquired Miss Natalie, in the coolest possible manner, for her ner-vousness had suddenly disappeared. "Non, mademoiselle," was the respectful an-

"How do you like her, father?" questioned the daughter, levelling at her parent one swift and triumphant glance.

"Very much—very much, Natalie; take her, ny child. There's character in that face, nobility, decision, sagacity. I'd rather have such a woman around you than a dozen of these silly, chattering magpies. Why, Fanchon was nothing compared to this one."

During this eulogium, both Mise Vaux and the oman kept their eyes perseveringly fixed upon the carpet.

When it was finished, a lively conversation-in -ensued between future mistress and maid. As a matter of course, its burden must have been on the part of the mistress, at least, an explanation of the duties which were to devolve upon the maid. But Vaux, père, was totally ig-norant of the French language, and he soon wearied of a dialogue in which he could not join, and whose subject he could only conjecture.

As may be imagined, it was not long before he intimated this fact to his daughter, thereby bringing the interview to an abrupt termination.

Ma'amselle Alixe—so she gave her name

ent upstairs, and in a few moments Miss Natalie ollowed, her black eyes dancing suspiciously.

Time went on. The wedding was to take place in September. The gay Natalie grew anddenly quiet and fond of home. When rallied on the sub-ject, she avowed that she had conceived a great aversion to balls and parties, and found much more happiness in staying soberly in her own domicile. They were all very happy there appadomicile. They were all very happy there apparently. The father was all smiles, the daughter growing lovelier day by day, the old lover though by no means overwhelmed with tender-ness by his fiance—radiant from present and an-

ticipated happiness,
The French Alixe was a great favorite in the house. Imposingly handsome, marvellously silent. always attentive and sweet-tempered, she won the love and respect of both master and servants. As for her young mistress, she seemed perfectly bewitched with her new attendant. Hour after honr the two passed together, apparently well satisfied to be in each other's society. the 'maid rarely spoke, and when she did it was in so low a voice that you had to listen carefully to catch her meaning.

Never was lover more devoted to the service of his beloved than this woman to that of Miss Vaux. The young lady neither moved nor spoke that

those piercing eyes were not fixed upon her, Every wish was anticipated, every want gratified. A keen observer might have discovered that at the sound of Miss Natalie's approaching feet, or the lightest murmur of her voice, a sudden flush would make the dark cheek still darker, and cause the blue eyes to ambush themselves in the long,

A strange woman -- a woman, about whose simplest action hung a mystery, an oddity, that only caused her to be more prized and admired.

One evening Mr. Vaux made the following observation to his daughter: "Natalic, my dear, it appears to me—I don't know—very likely I am wrong—but it really strikes me that I have seen Alixe somewhere before. She

reminds me of some one. Who can it be? A gentleman, I think." The young lady opened her eyes to their widest extent, and Alixe herself, who was just leaving the room, cup and saucer in hand, started so violently that the two morsels of china fell from her fingers, and were dashed into a hundred pieces.

"Peste! quel dommage!" murmured the care-ess girl, coolly picking up the fragments. The diversion was effectual, and the subject

dropped. But what could have agitated Mademoiselle Alixe?

September had almost arrived—the house was in confusion from morning till night. Dressmakers reigned supreme, milliners became of importance. Miss Natalie was wanted constantly to "try on" this or that garment, and, it is needless to say, looked lovely in all. Shopping was the order of the day, and in most of these expeditions Alixo accompanied her young mistress.

But one incident occurred to mar the general

Alixe had obtained leave of absence for three days, as she was to go to Europe with Miss Natalie, after her marriage, and naturally had a desire to visit her friends before leaving. On the afternoon of the third day Miss Vaux went shopping, as usual, and returned at six. At eight the bell rang, and a letter was brought upstairs, directed to "Mister Vo."

"Is an answer desired?" inquired the gentle-

man so named, with an amused smile.
"No, sir; a man brought it, and said I was to give it to you immediate, then walked off, sir, like a steam-engine," and James retreated, greatly pleased with his metaphor.

Mr. Vaux turned the doubtful-looking epistle over and over, with many an expression of wonder, then tore open the envelope, and, extracting a soiled sheet of paper, began the perusal of the forlorn-looking lines written therein.

As he read a frown gathered upon his forehead, and his hands trembled with evident passion. The two who sat opposite, Natalie and her old lover, watched him with amazement—nay, more than that, on the part of the young lady, at least. Astonishment alone could not have driven the rose flush from the soft, dark cheek, or caused the traitorous little heart to beat so swiftly and loudly, that it was a great wonder neither of her companions heard it.

"Girl," thundered the hot-tempered father, as he finished the delectable epistle, "where were you this afternoon?"

The color came back to lip and cheek. Miss Natalie's bright eyes flashed ominously. " Sir ?"

He had gone too far.

"Where were you this afternoon?" in a stern but much modified voice.

"At the \_\_\_\_ Gallery. A look of surprise on the part of her questioner; he had evidently expected a denial.

"Were you alone? "I went alone."

"Whom did you meet there?"

"Are you telling me the truth?" Miss Natalie's face grew as pale as her father's was red. She turned to her bewildered suitor with

an abruptness that almost terrified him out of his few remaining wits.

"Ring the bell," she said, imperiously.

A servant came. "Has Alixe arrived?" "No, miss; but we expect her every moment." "Send her here the very instant she comes,"

"Yes, miss." The servant closed the door, Miss Natalie seated herself by the window, and a dead silence ensued. Five, ten, fifteen, twenty minutes passed, then a

step in the hall, and the door was opened hastily... In the doorway stood Mademoiselle Alixe, calm vet deflant. Mis Natalie did not move, she only said : Onestion her.

Mr. Vaux by this time had grown a little awkvard and confused. "When did you see your mistress last?"

An almost imperceptible sneer flitted over the ce of Mademoiselle Alixe. - Gallery." This afternoon, sir, in the -How rapidly her English had improved! "You may go."

One swift glance at the motionless form and ornful face of Miss Vaux, and the waiting-maid

left the room. "Are you satisfied, sir?"

The father winced beneath the bitter tongue of the daughter, and his only answer was a step towards self-defence. He handed her the letter.

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"Mister Vo," it began, "I am a friend of yours, and don't like to see you cheated by your daughter, Nataly. I know that she is engaged to be married to Mr. Isaiah Gilbert, but it isn't for love of him I tell you what I'm goin' to—it's for your sake. Perhaps you haven't forgotten that six months ago your daughter was very sweet to Mr. Esmond Hillyar, a young man that gave her painting lessons, and was in love with her. I suppose you heard, too, that when it was said Miss Vaux was goin' to marry rich old Gilbert, Mr. Hillyar went to England. Well, perhaps he did, I don't know anything about it; but I do know that this very set.

Miss Natalie tossed the letter from her with

a scornful laugh.
"I was there this afternoon, father," she said, "but I spoke to no one, saw no one that I knew, except Alixe. About a week ago I went to the gallery with some friends, and lost a bracelet. I told Alixe, and to-day she went to inquire about it. So you see there was nothing very astonishing in the fact of our meeting."

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Mr. Vaux had grown excessively red during this speech. At its conclusion he left his seat and walked to the window.

"Natalie," he said, and he spoke as if every word choked him, "forgive me; you know that I love you very much, but I couldn't bear the idea of your cheating me under my very nose, and you have resided in two recels. I couldn't hear to to be married in two weeks. I couldn't bear to think that you would have so little consideration for my feelings—so little love for me."

Miss Natalie received this apology even a little more ungraciously than it was made. Once she opened her lips as if to reply, then closed them again, as if in self-derision. If she had spoken, it would have been after this fashion:

"Had you any consideration for my feelings, any love for me, when you separated me from the man I loved and endeavored to force me to become the wife of one I hated? And all because one was rich and the other was not, and your pride forbade my becoming the wife of a poor artist. You did not need the money; if you had, it would have been some excuse for you, but you wanted to make me an instrument of your own glorification; you wanted to have the millionaire, Isaiah Gilbert, for your son-in-law, even if your daughter's heart was broken in making him so."

The 5th of September came, and the day following had been fixed for the marriage. Father and child were as good friends, apparently, as ever. The ceremony was to take place at ten o'clock, and the steamer which was to bear them to Europe sailed at twelve. Night came. Natalie, thoroughly exhausted by the day's exitement and bustle, stepped into her father's room to say good-night. "Is everything ready, Natalie?"

"Yes, sir, the luggage is all on board. Every-ning is arranged. Good-night, papa." thing is arranged.

Perhaps Miss Natalie had expected some tender little word, some caress, on this the last night she might ever spend beneath his roof, for she lingered, as if loth to go, a faint color fluttering into her cheeks, a certain agitation in her man-ner; but Mr. Vaux was not a sentimental man, and only answered her with an absent

"You will be worth two millions, my dear, and who knows how soon you will be a widow. Mr. Gilbert's health is not very good," and the father

laughed coolly at the supposition.

An unmistakable expression of disgust and indignation swept over Natalie Vaux's face, as, without making any reply to this observation, she turned and left the room.

Morning dawned, bright and beautiful. The ceremony was to take place at ten, and at eight the bride had not emerged from her room. Sundry knocks and calls had been of no effect in rousing either mistress or maid, and as the doors of their respective apartments were locked, it was impossible to ascertain the cause of this strange non-appearance.

As the clock struck eight, the anxious father himself m unted the stairs, and pounded with his own heavy fist upon the door leading to his daughter's room.

No answer. "Bring an axe," cried the agitated man, a cold

perspiration breaking out upon his forehead.

The axe was brought, and in five minutes the Joor, though bolted and barred, was forced open, and the anxious crowd of servants, headed by

their master, rushed in.
Oh, what a peaceful room! so quiet, so dainty, so empty!

Through the curtains of rose-colored silk the September sunshine poured, in sheets of misty gold; a faint perfume was in the air; in the window bloomed a perfect garden of ferns and mosses, and over all was the charm, the traces of a woman's ownership and recent presence.

Certainly recent, for although the room wa then vacant, the dress Miss Natalie had worn the previous evening drooped over a chair, and upon another was Ma'amselle Alixe's unvarying black

This was not all. Upon the inlaid toilet table reposed a white object. It was a letter, directed to "Mr. George Valle." With trembling hand and pale lips, the foiled and almost distracted man tore open the envelope and read:

DEAR FATHER—When you road this letter I shall be many miles out at sea with my husband, Esmond Hillyar. I have been Mrs. Hillyar since last Junc, and even if that had not been the case last June, and even if that had not been the case I could never have married the man whom you have selected for me. I offer no excuses for what I am about to do—what I have done. I consider snyself justified in the sight of heaven, I take with me only my simplest clothes, and the small legacy left me by my aunt. It will be enough to support us in Rome—for we are going there. I take Alixe with me, yet I have no French maid. Alixe and my husband are one. Adien, my father. Your loving daughter,

NATALIE HILLYAR.

A steamer had sailed for France at four o'clock that morning, and in it Mrs. Hillyar and her French maid—that is, her husband—had taken

It is not quite as dangerous to be snapped at by a dog as by a gun.

#### HERE'S A HEALTH TO KING CHRISTMAS.

HERE's a bealth to King Christmas, to merry

King Christmas,
With his mistletee, bolly and bay;
His fun-dimpled old face, his good homely old

His jests and his laughter gay.

Light-hearted let's meet him, and right joyously greet him, And all loyally treat him whilst here;

Old heary December, his advent, remember, Comes round but once in a year.

For the songs that he sings us, the friends that he brings us, And his stores of provisions and fun;

With hearts light and merry let's toast him in sherry, Let's drink to him every one.

Here's & health to King Christmas, to merry

King Christmas,
With his mistletoe, holly and bay;
His fun-dimpled old face, his good homely old His jests and his laughter gay.

#### THE RESURRECTIONISTS.

In the present day, a man may have reasonable hope that his body will be allowed to rest quietly in its appointed grave. But it was not so formerly; and men who would hardly like to be considered more than middle-aged can recall the days when the Resurgam Homos, as they styled themselves, or Body-snatchers and Resurrectionists, as they were called by the outer world, carried on a flourishing trade.

In the ancient practice of surgery, anatomy was little regarded, and the corpses of murd-rers and other erimi-nals afforded a sufficient supply of "subjects" for the low students who held that examination of the dead human body was absolutely necessary; but towards the close of the 18th century, the progress of surgical science on the Continent, and the discoveries of John Hunter in England, caused men to turn their attention more and more to the study of nature; hence arose an increased demand for subjects, and the resurrectionists came forward to meet it.

The graveyards in the more outlying parts of the cities were their usual haunts, and from these, in spite of every precaution, they carried off bodies innumerable. In many instances, the gravediggers, sextons, and persons appointed to take care of the burial-grounds, were in the pay of the body-anatchers, and would leave their gates unlocked, and turn their backs when the deed was eing accomplished.

So little confidence did the public have in these official guardians, that in many instances the friends of the deceased person were wont to keep watch, night after night, by the side of the grave, until such time after night, by the side of the grave, until such time had elapsed as to render the body no longer fit for the purposes of the surgeon. Even their kindly vigilance was too often baffied. A very short period of inattention was sufficient for the resurrectionists, whose boast it was that they could remove a body from a grave of the ordinary depth in 45 minutes. They never removed the whole of the earth from the grave, but simply dug a hole at the head of the coffin, until it was bared to view. Inserting a peculiarly shaped crowbar between the lid and the coffin, they prized up the lid, which generally broke in two from the superincumbent weight of earth. The body was then drawn out, stripped of its clothing, and carried away in a sack. The body-snatchers were most particular in replacing every article of clothing in the grave, and merely carried off the maked corpse. The reason for this was, that body-snatchmaked corpse. The reason for this was, that body-enatch-ing was by the law merely a misdemeanor; but taking the clothing was felony, and would have subjected them to transportation. They were extremely careful also to replace everything in the grave in the same order as they had found it.

The friends of the departed were in the habit of put-ting private marks on the grave, to discover whether it had been desecrated; such as a piece of stick, a flower, or an oystor-shell. These were replaced with the most rigorous exactitude; and consequently many a mourning survivor, fondly believed that the grave still contained the remains of his beloved one, while in reality it was only tenanted by an empty coffin. Spring-gans were occasionally set in the churchyards, but without avail. During the daytime, the resourcetionists sent a femule member of their fratranty into the piace, for the purpose of observing where the pegs were fixed to which at night the wires would be attached; therefore, when night came, they easily found the pegs, and feel-ing their way cautiously along the wires, they removed the loaded weapon, and pursued their avocation in security.

The surgeons were not without their share of risk in these affairs, as they frequently had to take the bodies from the houses of the resurrectionists to the hospital. On one occasion, a student was conveying a subject, carefully packed in a hamper, in a hackney-co one hospital to another. To his surprise and alarm, the coach stopped in front of the police office. The coachman descended from his box, and putting his face in at the window, said in a low but significant tone: "Sir, my fare to the place you want to go to is \$10.

nless you wish to be put down here."
The student took the hint, and paid the money.
The leading men among the resurrectionists were wont to strut about the dissecting-rooms, and give themelves no small airs. At the commencement of a certain ession, one Murphy, a noted character, presented himself before the house-surgeon. After some unimport ant conversation, he said:

"Well, doctor, this season I must have \$100 down,

and \$46 for every 'thing' I bring you."

("Thing" was the cant phrase for "body."

"Nonsense," replied the surgeon; "'tis downright
extortion. I shall employ some one else."

"Vory well, sir," said Murphy, turning on his heel; "but you won't be able to do without us." The event proved that Murphy was right. The new men were either bribed off by the old gang, or else were

exposed and detected by the police; so the doctors, in despair, were obliged to re-employ Mr. Murphy.

Here is a genuine extract from a diary kept by one of this genticman's fraternity:

"Dec. 24, 1811—44 12 unidnight, party went to

got three small. Came back, and got two large at
——. Came home, then settled at Ben's. Each man's
share, \$48 75. Fridgy 27.—Went to look out. Came
home; met Ben and Dan. Went to Harp's; got one large; took it to Jack's house. Jack, Bill and Tom met with us, getting drunk. Saturday 28, 4 A. M .- Whole party to Guy's and St. Thomas's crib; got six; took

them to St. Thomas's; packed up three for -one over to Guy's."

The two kings of this unhallowed craft—for it was in but a few hands—were the above-mentioned haral-was

The two kings of this unhallowed craft—for it was in but a few hands—were the above-mentioned kauply and one Putrick. The following story is told of the latter, as a specimen of his untiring activity.

He was one day strolling about a country village, with nothing particular to do, when he heard that a femele body, supposed to be that of a pauper from the workhouse, had been found in the canal, and was then lying in the stable of an adjoining public-house. Having always an eye to business, he entered the public-house, called for a glass of ale, and entered into conversation with the stable-boy, who remarked:

"Catch me sitting up with another dead body."

"Why not?" asked Mr. Patrick.
"Because, last time, the parish officer gave me next

"Why not?" asked Mr. Patrick.

"Because, last time, the parish officer gave me next to nothing for my trouble."

Patrick chuckled inwardly, and apparently out of pure absence of mind, began playing with the lock of the stable door. He presently left, and went straight up to the city. He returned the same night with a trusty friend and a bunch of keys.

Next morning, a jury of 12 honest fellows was impancilled by the corpore. After hearing a certain

pannelled by the coroner. After hearing a certain amount of evidence, the coroner said:
"Now, then, gentlemen, if you please, we will view the body."

The boy led the way into the stable; a cloth which covered some object in an empty stall was removed, and disclosed to the eyes of the astonished jury a truss of

other occasion, a foctman, who was acqu On another occasion, a footman, who was acquainted with Patrick, informed him that his master was dood, and that he thought something could be done with the body. Patrick declined to have anything to do with the affair, until the coffin was acrewed down, which was accordingly done on Saturday night, the funeral being ordered for the following day. The footman and Patrick then removed the body, piaced it in the garden, and filled up the coffin with earth. Patrick actually attended the funeral, and afterwards stated that he could not help smilling when the cherymen alluded to

attended the funeral, and afterwards stated that he could not help smiling when the clergymen alluded to "our dear departed brother."

A number of persons who died in the metropolitan workhouses had no relations or friends near at hand, and Mr. Patrick took advantage of this circumstance to assume a variety of disguises, and boldly claim the bodies of the deceased. He was aided in this scheme by one Conchman, a strong, broad-shouldered fellow, who was employed by Patrick to carry the subjects to the hosoitals. This system had been carried on at the who was employed by Patrick to carry the subjects to the hospitale. This system had been carried on at the workhouse with great success for some time, when Murphy, the rival monarch of the resurgess losses, grew jealous at Patrick's presperity. By plying Conch-man with drink, he wormed out the whole of the secret from him, and advised him to inform the board of guardians of the affair, as they would reward him handsomely. Conchman accordingly turned traitor, and Patrick was arrested by the police, but eventually discharged for want of sufficient avidence. discharged for want of sufficient evider

On another occasion, Murphy and Patrick were work-ing amicably together as pariners in a most lucrative undertaking. There was a private burial-ground beundertaking. There was a private burial-ground belonging to two old women, who resided in a cottage hard by. They employed one Whackett as grave-digger and watchman. Messra. Murphy and Patrick concluded an arrangement with this man, by which the graveyard was placed at their disposal. Whackett used to leave the gate unbolted, provided them with a private key, and even made secret marks on such graves as he deemed it advisable to rifle, for the purpose of guiding them in their nightly rambles. Unfortunately, however, two rival resurrectionists, named Yaughan and Hollis, got seen tof the affair, and calling one day upon Whackett, threatened to expose him unless he gave them a share in the job. Whackett made no reply, but crossing immediately over to a public-house which was full of laborers, sheuted out to the assembled company:

which was full of laborers, sheuted out to the assembled company:

"Do you see those two men? They are body-snatchers, and have come to bribe me to let them rob the graveyard."

The laborers, excited to fury by these words, rushed out, and chased Hollis and Vaughan for their lives. The baffled sooundrels, in revenge, went before a magistrate, and told him that if he examined the burial ground at Holywell he would find the graves in magistrate, and told him that if he examined the burial-ground at Holywell, he would find the graves in numerous instances despoiled of their dead. The rumor spread, erowds of people assembled, the graves were opened, and found tenantiess. The mob were enraged beyond measure: they guited Whackett's house completely, dragged his wife and children through a horsepond, and seixing Whackett, attempted to bury him alive. The miserable wretch was half suffocated when he was rescued by the constables. Even the two seed proprietress, who were totally Even the two aged proprietresses, who were totally innocent of the whole affair, had their windows broken.

#### FEEDING THE KITTENS-EARLY MORNING.

For the perpetuation of art, of whatever country, we give this week a fine engraving from that beautiful picture by H. Kretschner, of Berlin, one of

beautiful picture by H. Kretschner, of Berlin, one of the most popular genre painters of the age.

The seene is provincial Germany, and the costume that of a young peasant girl. The time is early morn, and the young litter of pets are taking a frugal breakfast under the supervision of the little mistress; while the ancient tabby, with a satisfied smirk, sits in the back-ground and overlooks the entire matter, thoroughly understanding that she is at the bottom of it all.

These reminders of art are well worthy preservation in any portfolio or album, and do more to refine public taste than all the lectures and art schools of the world.

#### TOMB OF BENJAMIN DEBORAH FRANKLIN.

THE ground on which is the tomb of Benjamin and Deborah Franklin, his beloved wife, belongs to Christ Church, of the city of Philadelphia. The church is situsted in 3d, between Market and Arch streets. The property on which the church stands was bought by them in 1696, just thirteen years after the city was founded, and when the population numbered only 3,000 souls. The first interments were made upon this church ground, but as the city and the congregation increased, it was found necessary to secure a larger lot, and one was got in 1719, on the corner of 5th and Arch streets, then the suburbs

of the city, and in this ground lie the Frankiin remains.

For a long time this ground was the principal burying-place of the city, and there all the principal Philadelphian families can point to the graves of their ancestors. The earliest date shown upon the tomb-stones is 1721, but burials are known to have been made there during the year it was first bought. Apart from the grave of Franklin, and others of great

interest, whose tombs are pointed out to visitors, there are deposited in this ground the remains of several

-; took prominent individuals of the past. The records of the church disclose the fact that Peyton Randolph, the first President of Congress, was buried here on the 24th of October, 1775; and again, that Prancis Hopkinson, one of the most distinguished pairois of the Revolution, was interred here on the 11th of May, 1701; yet a careof the most distinguished patriots of the Revolution, was interred here on the 11th of May, 1791; yet a careful search affords no clue to their resting-pace, as no tablets mark their graves. In the church building, also, there have been several interments without a memorial. The records of the year 1750 state that Brigadier-General Forbes died on the 16th of March of that year, and was buried in Christ Church, but there is no stone marking the locality.

The Pennsylvania Gesetts, of the 15th of March, 1750, funnishes the following information: "On Sunday last, died of a tedious illness, John Forbes, Esq., in the 49th year of his age, son to ——Forbes, Esq., of Petincriet, in the shire of Fife, in Scotlend, Brigadier-General, Colonel of the 17th Regiment of foot, and Commander of His Majesty's troops in the Southern Provinces of North America. Yostarday he was interred in the chancel of Christ Church, in this city."

The locality of Franklin's tomb is in a retired part of the grounds, and the grave, until recently, could only be visited with difficulty; but in the year 1886 a portion of the wall next to it was taken down, and an iron railing substituted, so that a view of the grave can now readily be obtained without entering the grounds. Standing on Arch street, the grave is on the north-west corner of the ground, parallel with Arch street.

The plain appearance of the tomb must strike every one as unworthy of the memory of Franklin, over whose remains one would naturally look for an imposing monument commemorative of his worth; but the stone, as seen here, is such as was contemplated by him before

monument commemorative of his worth; but the stone, as seen here, is such as was contemplated by him before his death, and particularly ordered in his will. The following is an extract from the codicil of his will, dated 23d June, 1789, the year before his death: "I wish to be buried by the side of my wife, if it may be, and that a marble stone, to be made by Chambere, six test long, four feet wide, plain, with only a small moulding round the upper edge, and this inscription:

BENJAMIN and FRANKLIN. DEBORAH

This is the style of setting on the tomb now, but it

a very much defaced or beaten by the storm.

The records of the clurch state that Delorah Franklin was buried here 22d December, 1774, and Benjamin
Franklin on the 18th of April, 1790. The headstone on
the left hand side, at the head of the tomb, has the following inscription:

> FRANCIS F., BENJAMIN and DEBORAH FRANKLIN, Deceased Nov. 21st, 1736, Aged 4 years 1 month and 4 days.

That on the right side: In Memory of JOHN BEAD, who departed this life September 12th, 1724,

Aged 47 years. The tomb adjoining that of Franklin, to the left, is

BICHARD) BACHE SARAH 1811.

The statements given above are mostly taken from the

A Monker Mass Meeting.—We mounted the horses, and were soon at the spot indicated by the sowars. There were not so many as had been represented; but I am speaking very far within bounds when I state that there could not have been fewer than eight thousand, and some of them of an enormous size. I could scarcely have believed that there were so many monkeys in the world if I had not visited Benares, and heard of the tribes at Gibraltar. The ir sticks, which were thrown together in a heap, formed a very large stack of wood.

"What is this?" my friend said to one of the Brahmins, for since his appointment he had never heard of this gathering of apes.

"It is a festival of theirs, Sahib," was the reply. "Just sa Hindoos, at stated times, go to Hurdwar, Hagipore, and other places, so do these monkeys come to this holy place."

"And how long do they stay?"

"Two or three days; then, they go sway to their homes in different parts of the country; then, attend to their business for four or five years; then, come again and do festival, and so on, sir, to the end of all time. You see that very tall monkey there, with two smaller ones on either side of him?"

"Well, sir, that is a very old monkey. His age is more than twenty years, I think. I fired saw him fifteen years ago, the was then full-grown. His native place is Meerut. He lives with the Brahmins at the Soorja Khan, near Meerut. The smaller ones are his sons, sir. They have nover been here before; and you see he is showing them all about the place, like a very good father." A MONKEY MASS MEETING .- We mounted

A SISTER.-He who has never known a sis-A SEFTER.—He who has never known a sister's kind ministrations, nor felt his hear; warming beneath her endearing smile and love-beaming eye, has been unfortunate indeed. It is not to be wondered if the fountains of pure feeling flow in his bosom mire aluggishly, or if the gentler emotions of his nature be lost in the deemer stiributes of manhood.

"That man has grown up among kind and affectionate sisters," I once heard a lady of much observation and experience remark.

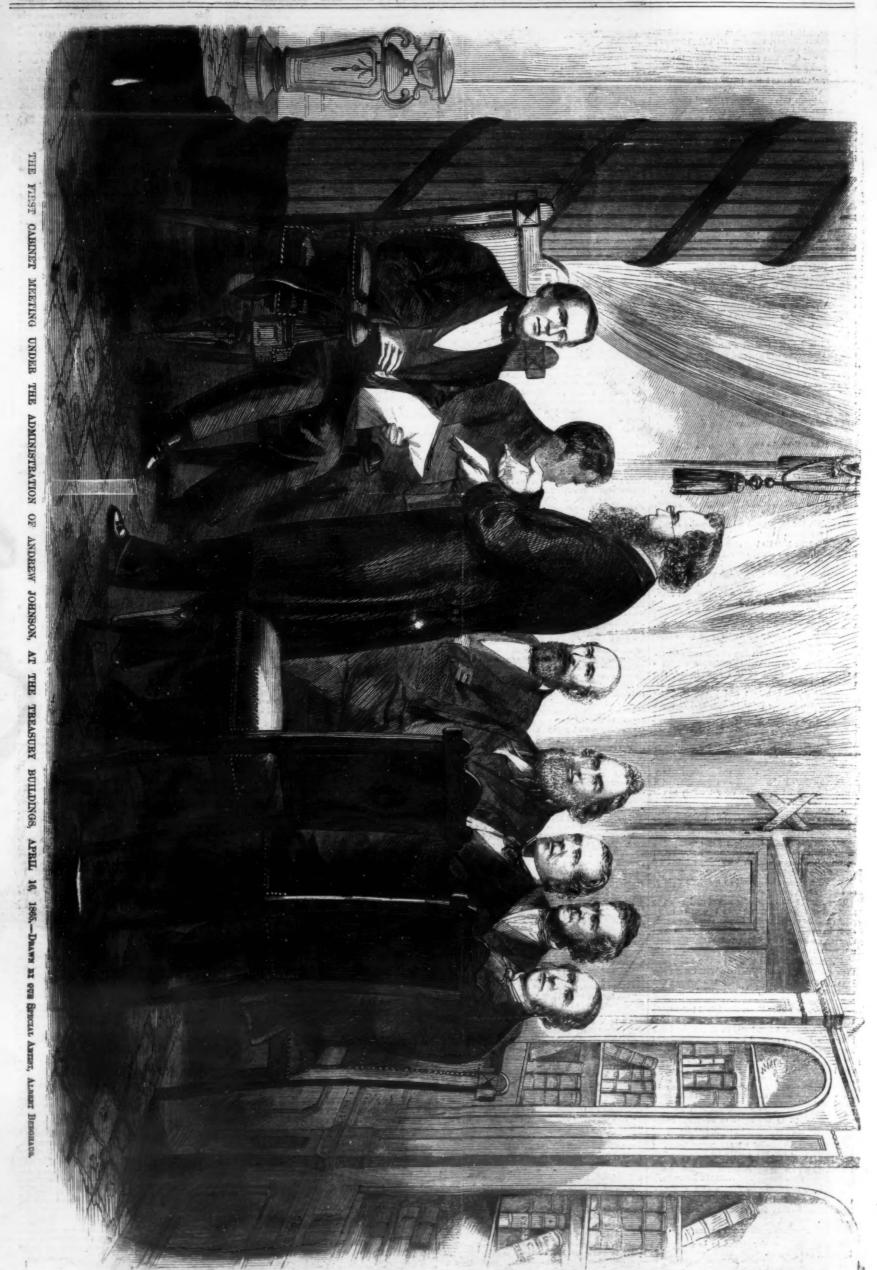
"And why do you think so?" said I.

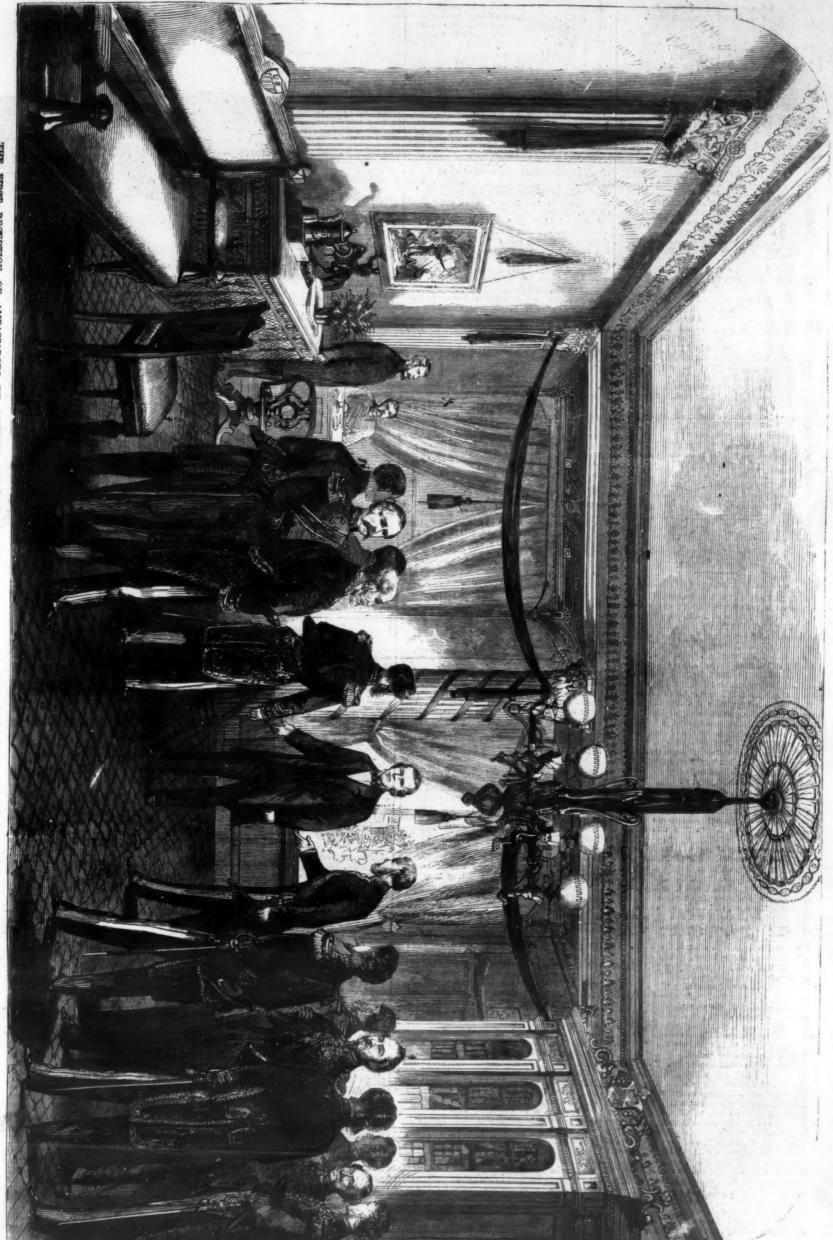
"Because of the rich development of all the tenderer and more refined feelings of the heart, which is so ap-

and more refined feelings of the heart, which is so apparent in every socion, in every word.

A sister's influence is felt, even in manhood's later years, and the heart of him who has grown cold in its chilling contact with the world, will warm and thrill with pure enjoyment, as some incident awakens within him the soft tones and glad nglodies of his sister's voice. And he will turn from purposes which a warped and false philosophy has reasoned into expediency, and even weep for the gentie influences which moved him in his carlies, wears.

WHAT ARE WOMEN TO DO? -- Men are educated WHAT ARE WOMEN TO DO?— Men are educated to trades, crafts, or professions; men are taught to rely on themselves, solely; men have that elasticity of material that adapts itself to almost any shape or form. If Jones can at least be a carpenter, or invents machine for the furtherance of perpetual motion. He is never at a loss. But all this, which is regularly taught to men, women have to find out for themselves. Nevertheless, they can find it out, if they only have the chance. The pressure is so great that the ecape-valve must spring open. Women cannot colitably be aflowed to starve in a civilized country. They may be worked to death, or worm to death, by incessant care and saffering, and no legal courts will interfere. But starving is quite an inadmissible thing. It wouldn't sound well in the papers.





THE FIRST RECEPTION OF AMBASSADORS BY ANDREW JOHNSON, AT HIS BOOMS IN THE TREASURY BUILDING, APRIL 20, 1865,—DIAMS IN OUR SPECIAL ARTEST, ALBERT BEHOMADS.

#### NONE LOVE ME BEST.

BY R. V. B.

None love me best; I do not fill the need
For earthly love of one fond human heart. Like some poor waif,
Some spray of ocean weed,
Upon the waves of life I drift apart;
Not all alone—yet lonely and unblest,
Because unsatisfied—none love me best.

None love me best; Of all whom I can claim, Friends—kindred—large in number; not a few Kindred alike In tender thought and name In blood and spirit-generous hearts and true, But each hath dearer ties; I cannot rest, Calm and contented, where none love me best.

None love me best There is no heart that turns To mine, as to its polestar's faithful spark; Not one for whom My love a beacon burns Brighter for her when all around is dark, Not one to seek her refnge on my breast, As dearest comforter—none love me best.

None love me best; All greet me with a smile And welcome me with kindly look and tone, No lack of love No lack of love

Is there, and yet the while,
I know they need me not, and feel alone;
I am not missed—each hath a warmer nest
Than my poor heart can give—none love me best.

None love me best When in my coffin laid, I know that tender tears will wet my face, All cold and white, And tender words be said, But none will need to fill my vacant place; Not one will mourn, with true heart grief opprest. Her nearest, dearest, gone-

None love me best; Oh! hush thy plaint, poor heart, And give to others from thy own large store (Thus shalt thou share In love's diviner part),
The less they give to thee, still more and more; To give than to receive is far more blest, Be glad, poor heart, because none love thee best.

# Bound to the Wheel.

BY THE AUTHOR OF "GUY WATERMAN'S MAZE," "FREUBEN'S WAB," ETC.

CHAPTER XLVIII.-IN POSSESSION

SLEUTH, then, is at last lord of all. The mur der has not been unproductive; and, wonderful as it may be to reflect on, Sleuth seems to think, on looking back at all the atjending circumstance that his own behavior must have been a miracle of

that his own behavior must have been a miracle of foresight, skill and courage.

He wished Anthony had behaved differently. Foolish fellow! to throw away ten thousand pounds like that! and to reject, at the same time, his (Sleuth's) friendship! What a fatal blindness to his own interest! However, he had chosen his part. Since a beggar he was determined to be, Sleuth had nothing more to say or think on the subject. Let him beg and starve!

And then he began to revel once more in his wondrous "luck." He didn't venture, certainly, to make Providence directly responsible for en-

to make Providence directly responsible for er couraging his acts, but he almost habitually lived in a kind of superstitious faith that he was cared for in some providential way; else how could he, as he asked himself, have got through such trials to such a success?

The week following Anthony's departure, which occurred on a Friday, was spent in a remarkable way, and might be thrown thus into a kind of

Saturday .- A day of recovery from the wine, from Anthony's ingratitude, from the lawyer's irritating watchfulness, from Esau's abuse, from the disrespectful behavior of the servants, from Phillis's expectant looks, and from the general silence or unpleasant commentaries of the world as to his elevation, all ending with a determina-tion to go to church next day, and begin the life

of a very respectable member of society.

Sunday.—A day of gentle dreams—gentle agitation at his position in church, the observed of all observers; gentle hopes, gentle satisfaction with the look of things generally on going to bed

Monday. - A day of something like enjoyment at last. He is never tired of exploring the different rooms and closets, the stores, the cellars, any more than he grows weary of studying Authony's bankbook, Anthony's plans for a new house, and Anthony's verses about Clarissa -- copies of which he finds torn up, while exploring the recesses or Anthony's waste paper basket.

Eureka! he may cry. He has found Tuesday. it. He has found that which all men seek, and one in a million possibly gets—happiness. Fortune culminates. He sees everything through a delicious atmosphere—a magic atmosphere, that shuts out things he doesn't like, and magnifies every one of his treasures to gigantic bulk. Rich as he is, he knows he is going to be righer, for he has a cunning instinct that "never deceives" him, and which whispers now he will get rid of Phillis, marry Clarissa, and become the doctor's heir. And that involves, very naturally, and as a mere matter of course, that he shall be also a magistrate, and take precedence in due time among his brother magistrates—perhaps, also, become M. P. Really, on the whole, a good day's work!

Wednesday.—A little reaction, which he docan't

care to acknowledge, but which makes him very

glad when the solitude of the day is over—that he is no longer obliged to expect calls from the neighboring gentry, and may go to bed, and curse them all in his heart, if he likes. But no. Richard Sleuth couldn't do that. He respects his "temperate" them he was though he rear have "superiors" too much, even though he may have to lick the dust off their shoes for a little while to propitiate them. And where would be his good sense if he did not? Isn't he going to be on the "superiors?"

Thursday.—One prolonged yawn in every possible attitude and place.

Friday.—A very sensible idea worked out—that bliss doesn't consist exclusively of dreaming you are in bliss, but, in part at least, of setting to work to obtain what you most fancy. Accordingly, Richard Sleuth, with a sigh, comes to the conclusion that even when a man has got a hundred and sixty thousand pounds, he may be very miserable unless he can add something else—companions, society, friends, a wife, a recognised and respected position in men's eyea. And he determines to begin anew on Monday morning. Yes, he will take up the business of life in a practical manner, and take no more notice of the bliss of

And how did he begin? Having noticed that Mrs. Milton said nothing about going away, a fear crossed his heart that she might have repented of her purpose—nay, that she might be in Phillis's confidence, and was waiting, with full knowledge and malice aforethought, as to his secret promises, and the duty

thought, as to his secret promises, and the duty of making him fulfil them.

An embarrassing position to most men; for had he not asked the housekeeper to stay in so earnest a manner that he was bound to receive it as a compliment should she yield! Well, he thought, it might be difficult to other people, but not at all difficult to him (Sleuth). He had worked his sections were all the statements of the section of the secti notions well out, during Sunday, on his second visit to church, and while the minister, on whose visit to church, and while the minister, on whose face Sleuth's eyes were so steadily fixed, had been thinking he had never had a more attentive listener. And from that time, let us observe by the way, the clergyman set the example of ceremonial calling, and before the week was over— the second week—people dropped in, or left their cards; and Sleuth was so delighted, that he did not care to discover they were mostly persons in his own social predicament,

"Good morning, Mrs. Milton," he said, placing a gilt armchair for her in the drawing-room, whither he had gone after sending for her.
"Charming day. How well you are looking! Do sit down. And your pretty god-daughter, how is she? Take a glass of wine and a bit of cake?"

The consekeeper stared at him—stared at the cake and wine—frowned, and said nothing; for she didn't understand this altogether novel style of addressing her. Sleuth saw she didn't like it, and went on, only with increased zest.

"You have been a very faithful servanthaps I ought rather to say, attached friend—of my uncle. I am his heir, and I want to show you and Phillis—I mustn't forget Phillis—all the kindness I think he would have wished me. So, now, what can I do for you? Tell me. Do you want more servants? Have thom. I don't mind the expense. Enjoy yourself more. I don't see why you and Phillis shouldn't come in here of an evening, and sit with me, as you used to do with my cousin. It must be dull for Phillis, very dull. You must let me treat you both to the play occasionally, and have supper afterwards—very nice plan that—at an hotel, and, of course, all at my expense. Only be cautious. Phillis is very beautiful. I feel a kind of responsibility on me for her welfare. It's her birthday to-morrow. See; here is a pair of earrings I should like you to give her. It wouldn't be right for me to do it, you know, as they are valuable."

This extraordinary speech was uttered in a kind of low, unctuous, affectionate tone, that increased most painfully the housekeeper's surprise, and it was some time before she could make up her mind what to do. Meantime, her lips seemed to double inwards with the stern pressure to which they were subjected, and almost to disappear. When, however, he appeared to have said all he had to say, she got up with a kind of resentful, fluttering dignity, curtaised very low, said she would speak to Phillis, and let him know what they both thought, before they went to bed, of his "great kindness."

Away she went to the room where Phillis was sitting, with her lap full of needlework, but which she had not touched from the moment she heard of her godmother's sum

How anxiously she waited and watched for the the return! and how her heart fell as she saw the dark, stormy face that re-entered the room.

"There! put up your work. It's the last you'll do in this house, I'll promise you. Don't leok at me! Where's my keys? Have them straps looked out for the trunks there. Gibbs!" she called to the man, in a shrill tone of voice, out of the window, and he came from the stable there to her, standing outside.

"Take two places in the coach to-morrow morn ing to the Swan with Two Necks, Lad Lane, Mind you book the places beforehand, and pay for

Gibbs promised, and went away; and then Mrs. Milton shut down the window with a great noise, turned, and let loose the full force of her rage on poor Phillis.

"You're a nice, creditable young woman to bring out into the world, aint you? There ! Hold your tongue! Don't talk to me, you huseey! What! nothing less than diamonds will content h, my lady? Pretty price you'll pay for For shame! I didn't think anybody belonging to me would have so disgraced the family! No, that I didn't!"

And then Phillis saw the poor old lady was no

longer able to restrain her tears. "Tell me, I beg of you, what is it? what is the matter?" murmured Phillis, with quivering voice, dreading she know not what,

"Much obliged to you, my lady, I'm sure"—she put a most exasperating emphasis on the words "my lady"—"and also to your noble protector. Is that the word now-a-days? They used uglier ones in my village when I was a gal. Diamonds! But there, there's no end to the goodness of the man! He wants me—ME!"—she almost screamed out the last word in her ascending tornade of passion—"to be a party, I suppose, to the sticking you upstairs to play the lady, while I look on—the wretch!"

By degrees Phillis got out what it was that had

so wounded her godmother. And as she saw, as she supposed, the whole truth—that Sleuth had really only been preparing the way for the an-nouncement that they were to be married—she listened with increasing animation of face, with sparkling eyes, and with an almost painful catching of her breath, in the joyous emotion and vivid sense of relief, that threatened a new explosion on the part of the worthy housekeeper.

"I must go and thank him," and Phillis was

"Sit down! I dare you to go to him!"
"I must—I must, indeed. You don't know.
You mistake him—you do, indeed. Don't be angry.
Don't be afraid. I'll be back presently, and you shall say then you are not at all ashamed of me."
She kisad hor wondering corrections to which She kissed her wondering godmother's troubled but unresisting face, and a minute after was in the drawing-room, where the cunning Sleuth waited—a little nervous, but, on the whole, hope-ful as to the explosion he had precipitated.

"What is this, Richard?" she said, the moment she had closed the door.
"Really, Phillis, you should ask her that. I never felt so angry in all my life. There was I, the moment I saw the way clear, trying to make friends with her, offering her everything I could think of, and venturing even so far as to ask her to give you a pair of diamond ear-rings—cost no end of money—and she sets up her back at me like a wild cat, and goes off, to say and do I don't know what, and about which I have a good mind to say I don't care. It's too bad !"

Had Phillis any idea her lover was feeling le anger and mortification than he professed was she still prepared to keep alive her faith in him?—a faith, not that he was by any means a faultless person—perhaps not even free from actual crime—but still a man who loved her, and whom she felt, on that condition, she too could

There was a little pause, during which Phillis looked wistfully into his face. He winced a little, and tried to evade her look. But she came close to him, put her hand into his arm, and said, with earnest, trembling accents:

"Richard Sleuth, if you love me these things are nothing. Tell me, do you?"

"Do I? Of course I do. But——"

"Richard, say it again. You don't know how

weet it is to me.

Sleuth looked down on the pretty, tearful, but joyous face, which looked up so lovingly and trust-ingly to him, and he found it hard to utter the words that were ready at his lips. And she, watching the change of his face, saw this, and redoubled her caresses, though with a certain modesty, in the entire belief it was only the consequences of her godmother's folly that she was thus driving off.

And if one really could get to such heart as Sleuth possessed, it would probably prove that Phillis's image alone rested there. Even now, with her winning, pliant, gentle form hanging about him so flutteringly, he was unable to do the work he had shaped out for himself in the hard spirit he had first intended, and so they got talking with the old freedom, and he heard of Mrs. Milton's intention to leave the house the next

Poor Phillis! With what delight she saw his face grow clearer and clearer, as she talked to him! How re-assured she became as to her power over him when he kissed her, and said:

"She may do as she likes, but it won't change me! No, not a bit. And Phillis, darling, perhaps it's best for you to go away for a bit. If she, stupid old woman! makes such mistakes, what wouldn't the world do, which is not only stupid, but malicious into the bargain?

"Phillis, you now listen to me, and it'll be better for both of us. I am a gentleman, now—that brings responsibilities. You must learn to be a lady. I'll send you any money you want, secretly." cretly.

"No, Richard, that mustn't be 1"
"Very well. Then, if you do manage, all by "Yery well. Then, if you do manage, all by yourself, to pick up what you want, it'll be only a greater proof of your superior nature. Don't cry. I shall write to you."

"And how long?" Oh, who can answer that? You may be sure I shall want to hurry the day. This place is dreary even as it is—what'll it be when you are gone? I must get to know people. Get over the nine days' wonder about the property, and Anthony, and me, before I try them with another nine days' wonder about you. But mind, I stick to the old condition—secrecy. See what we've got by only trying to break through it too so Stupid old woman, so to mistake me! I won't have your godmother meddle or make. No, upon that, Phillis, you had better mind what I say, or

you'll find me queer."

"I will mind, and will trust you, Richard, so

long as trust is possible."
"And that'll be for ever, pussy!"
And Sleuth began with his usual affectionate err then to comfort her.

And so with such talk the lovers kissed and parted; but with the understanding that Sleuth managed to wring out of her, that as Mrs. Milton was to be left in her present benighted state. therefore, after this, no other except a public and formal leave-taking was to take place.

As Phillis went back to her godmother, to shape out a statement that should meet the double demands upon her, while saying she was

ready to go off home to Cumberland, Sleuth stood at the door kissing his hands as she turned at the end of the corridor to look back; and as she disappeared, he returned to the drawingroom, saying:

"She's safe for a few months, at all events. Now for Miss Clarisss!" and he gave a little leap as he revelled in the thought of his management of these two women in the kitchen.

CHAPTER KLIX,-RICHARD SLEUTH IN SEARCH OF A

THE tears-really natural ones-called forth, as he parted with Phillis next morning, had scarcely dried away before he was rolling along on a brokendown but safe pony, that he had borrowed, to-wards Pottersham. He was learning to ride, and the process troubled him more than he cared to However, he kept a good face on the matter, whatever his sufferings and qua'ms, and he reached Pettersham without an accident. It was awkward that he should have to slink in

by the stable-yard entrance, but he dared not court Miss Pompess's ridicule on his equestrian arrangements and skill; so he skily evaded all notice by adopting the mode of entrance we have

indicated—the back way.

He sent in his card, with "Mr. Sleuth's most respectful compliments, and could he see the doc-

The doctor was at lunch. It must be owned the doctor was generally found at something of the sort, when not in his magistrate's room, on horseback, or in bed. He read little. Indeed, what occasion had he to read, when he knew, he flattered himself, pretty well all men could tell

Sleuth was at once introduced to the dining-Sieuth was at once introduced to the dining-room, and found the doctor thus engaged, while Clarissa was cading to him an article about the treatment of the Emperor Napoleon at St. Helena, which seemed to touch the doctor's sympathics a good deal. "He hated Bonaparte," he said, "but loved magnanimity."

Something in the sound of the phrase pleased him, as it evidently pleased his daughter, and Le repeated it just as Sleuth entered, and so put himself in a good temper for the reception of his visitor.

"Good morning!-hem!-good n orning, Mr. leuth. Sit down and join me."

Sleuth did so, and was not sorry to see Clarissa, after a polite but cold bow, leave the room.

For a minute or two Sleuth found it easier to discuss the state of the Emperor at St. Helena than his own state, in his present magnificent isolation; and the doctor was too polite to refer to any business that had brought Mr. Sleuth, lest he might seem to be treating him not as a guest.

With a good deal of flurry in his manner, heat in his face, and stammering in his speech, Sleuth at last began to try once more what his oratory

was worth.
"Doctor Pompess, I—I hope—no, I mean Pin re—your politeness, your fatherly friendship—"
"Sir!" said the doctor, icily, and turning his chair full round to look the better at Sleuth, and learn what he meant.

Slouth gave a little gulp, as it were, in his throat, felt he was raining all his prospects, remembered how he had talked to a more terrible man—his uncle—and at a much more critical time.

"I beg pardon, doctor. I am, as you know, not a gentleman born. I—I think my blood is—is respectable, but I confess, it isn't aristocratic;

but I am not ashamed of my parents."
"No, sir, I should think not, indeed! Hem!"
"No, doctor; I'm proud of them, in a reasonway, and at proper times and seasons able "Do you no harm, sir, to be always proud of

them!"
"I stand—that is, I sit—corrected. But as f was saying, or meant to say, I was but a poor chemist's assistant when my uncle took me by the hand, and said he would make a man of me, and a gentleman; and he would-doctor, excuse these

tears-but I feel he would. He was a strong man, and he could do more difficult things than that."
"Hem! Yes, sir." "But he was poorly, you see, doctor, and he naturally pined for the nephew he had brought up, and I wouldn't stand in his way—no, not Anthony's, unkind as he is now; and it was I who wrote to Anthony when poor uncle was dying, and

urged him to come."
"I believe that, Mr. Sleuth; and—hem!—I think it was very creditable on your part.

But Sleuth couldn't go on just for a minute. He was obliged to use his handkerchief to conceal his emotion at the doctor's kind words. But as he mastered himself, he was again able to speak.

"Forgive me, doctor, but I ain't much used to kindness, and your words just then cut me very deep. I do so want to do the right thing, and the gentlemanly thing, and do good with the wealth God has given to me; but but I haven't a single friend in the world to help me and advise me, and I'm so miserable, I almost wish you'd try to persuade Anthony to come back and take it all again, and let me be as I was-his faithful and humble friend!"

Sleuth stopped, and, overpowered at his own pathos, laid down his head on the doctor's table.

The doctor wiped his glasses, which were growing moist, got up, walked to the window, and looked out contemplatively, and thus gave the un-

happy young man time to recover.
"Hem! Mr. Sleuth, could I be of any service

to you?"
"You! Oh, doctor, I dare not hope it! No, no. You can't demean yourself to take me by the hand. No. It is only your great kindness and Christian charity that makes you feel for me-But I'm not one to take a mean advantage. No: I have a soul above that. But, oh, Doctor Pompess, if you would, out of your great knowledge

and condescension, only take me and my case into your consideration for a few minutes! I do so want a kind, and wise, and good man to tell me what I shall do, to inspire me with proper sentiments, and to be to me an example—a brightning light for me in all my wanderings.

"Hem! hem!hem!"

"I'm worth, Doctor Pompess, a hundred and "I'm worth, Doctor Pompess, a hundred and sixty thousand pounds, and I want to be shown what to do with it. Shall I expend this wondrous gift on profligacy, or in ridiculous excess, as the poet says, or shall I make it subserve"—Sleuth had a liking for that, to him, newly-discovered word, and repeated it—"subserve the venerated constitution and institutions of the country—the duties of the country gentleman, the plassures of duties of the country gentleman, the pleasures of a modest hospitality?

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That last bit finished the business. The doctor came to him, held out his hand, and said:
"Mr. Sleuth, my very good friend"—oh, the delicious sound of the words to the hungry listener—"whatever help I can render you I think but I am a man of truth, and speak only that which I mean. You have, I regret to say, very much to learn."

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"Oh, yes!" interrupted Sleuth, with clasped hands. "But do you think I might learn?"

"Hem! Yes, I think you may. It is much when a man sees his deficiencies. You don't know how to speak as a gentleman."

doctor. I am so thankful! Go on." "You don't know how to speak to a gentleman

"Gospel truth, doctor. I own it. But I will—that is, if you sanction the trial."

"You neither come into a room, nor go out of one, except with the air of a mau who is ashamed of himself. Now, sir, if I were to do the most pitiful act in the world, I wouldn't be ashamed of it! If. I sav."

-I quite understand. Oh, doctor, this is a great day for me! I shall go back with a happy heart, and be a proud man."

"And, then, Sleuth"—the doctor dropped the

"Mr.," and Sleuth responded to the increased familiarity with a grateful smile—"I think I never saw a man look so truly unpleasant, when not altogether contemptible, as you when you address a lady. A lady, sir, likes to see a man a man, but

also a modest man."
"Yes, sir, I perceive. Oh, yes!" And Slouth looked as if his eye saw through unfathomable distances to the bright and particular star of Truth that the doctor indicated. "Don't spare Don't spoil the child, for I am but a

me, sir. Don't spoil the child child in the ways of the world."

"I have done, Sleuth, all that's unpleasant. These things were on my mind, and—hem!—would probably have prevented our having the honor of receiving your visits here, but—but for this very touching, very—well, I will say it—very manly appeal. For in substance it is manly to welcome the truth, however annoying. Sleuth, I offer you

Sleuth grasped it so suddenly he saw the doctor wince. Then he winced visibly himself, dropped the hand in a fright, and as suddenly regained it.

The doctor went on:

"Come here when you like. Hem! You won't mind, for a little while, my taking the liberty to say I am engaged when you call, if I don't want to see you. My daughter may do you good, if you can cally make her sequentiation." can only make her acquaintance.
"She's an angel!"

"She's a lady, Mr. Sleuth, and I'm her father and if you make any more remarks of that kind-

He saw the pained face, and his heart smote

"Well-well-well. Rome was not built in a day. And I mustn't expect too much. I will consider the whole subject carefully."

Sleuth was alarmed. He thought that meant

going back. But he was mistaken.

"Hem. Perhaps a few hints-hem!-written ones-for a young man whose social education has been neglected—from—from me, may be useful. We will see to that. Come. Let us find Miss Pompess, and I will introduce you to her under your new aspect, as a friend of the family, who craves friendly sympathy and support under arduous circumstances. Come."

#### CHAPTER L.-UNDER THE WHEEL,

TRUE: Anthony is indeed under it-writhing in anguish: every pang enhanced by the recollec-tion of his late exaltation on the topmost rai, when he seemed almost unto himself a spectacle for gods and men—illustrating how fortunate uman nature could be.

What is he doing just now? Why, he is toiling

on alone on the road to Oxford, having just quitted London.

And why alone? Where is Esau? Anthony The boy had left him when they reached London; and as Anthony suspected, in order to relieve him of the burden of maintenance. Day by day, as Anthony returned from his useless wanderings to the cheap lodging—a bedroom in a poor but clean house in Chelsea—he looked for the lad's bright and cheering face, but he found him not; and at last he felt constrained to own it was most probable Esau thought he could do better without Anthony's aid than with it, and was wooing fortune in his own way, and alone

What a terrible place Anthony thought London on this brief visit! He could scarcely believe that it was there he had spent so many pleasant, because indulgent, hours, with boon companions, who agreed but on one thing-to put off to the

morrow all care. He had come with a settled and clear purpose amely, to go to every man he knew of any respec tability of character, carefully shunning all other acquaintances, and see whether, after letting them know of his position, they could suggest how he might earn his bread.

At first he was delighted with the hospitable reception, even after he had told, with manly frankness, of his downfall, lest the fact might not

have reached them. But as soon as the first glow of feeling had passed off, he could not but discover they were one and all immersed in their own affairs, whether of business or pleasure, and, while very willing to see him at their tables, or even to take an occasional bed in their houses, were not in the least disposed to go into practical matters—such as he yearned to hear.

But he determined to go the whole round of

his acquaintances, in spite of these disappoint-ments, and then they saw him no more! He had failed to discover a single opening.

But he had Oxford still to fall back on. There

he had played the gentleman, and, bating a few youthful pranks, had played the part not dis-creditably. He had been in debt, but those debts, fortunately, he had been able to pay, during his brief period of prosperity, out of the alderman's estate. He was glad of that, for his conscience did not in the least feel hurt that Sleuth might say it was out of his money. He should tell him he lied, for it belonged to him (Anthony) by a prior right, for the alderman had not only sent him to Oxford, but condoned his offence by telling him, on one occasion, he should "white him, and then -- But then came the worse offence, that caused Anthony to be ejected from the heirdom.

the heirdom.

He was going to Oxford. What for? To play the part Mr. Babington had shone in? To extricate a hundred pounds from some unwilling pockets by arts as contemptible as those of his quondam acquaintance and brother collegian?

If he could get no chance in London, centre of business, was it likely he could do any good among youthful students, who could only treat him as entitled to their charity?

He had pondered over every possible kind of industry. Literature? He had no ability for it, The professions? He was acquainted with none, prepared for none. And as to trade, that was just what he had been exploring with such lamentable results. Clerkships, assistant in a school, even the post of riding master to a West-end house, he thought of, and sought for, but obtained neither

engagement, nor promise of one.

The army? Yes, that was the one seductive thought that kept Anthony in heart; for not only did he think he should make a good officer, but he had just one faint hope of a commission, through young aristocratic friend, who had once urged Anthony, in his time of bitter disappointment (after offending the old man), to go into the regiment which was commanded by his brother, who, he was sure, would sympathise with his poverty and his feelings as a gentleman, and give him the support a man so situated must have. Anthony was afraid he could not live on his pay, however rigidly economical he might-be; but still the prospect was attractive, for, to tell the truth, it was one that led, so he fancied—by a circuitous course enough, no doubt—but still led to Clarissa.

Why, then, does he stop now on the brow of the hill, which has just brought him within sight of the distant towers and spires of beautiful Oxford? Is it because he has read not one, but two paragraphs in a newspaper, that he had come across at a wayside inn, and where he had expended his last money—iwopence—in a roll and a glass of ale?

#### These are the paragraphs:

"Rumor is busy in a certain neighborhood, not a hundred miles from the metropolis, with the character and doings of a cidevant gentleman—heaven save the mark!—who had suddenly passed from a state of great prosperity to entire indigence. It is said that he had in his possession, from the very first hour of his coming to the house where, his rich relative died—the document by which he was able to hold all against the rightful possessor; and that when the discovery of the paper was accidentally made, and under circumstances that might be called really providential—he not only expressed no regret, and offered no explanations, but abused the man he had wronged; and who, even at the last moment, would have given him a handsome slice of the property, if he had only exhibited an appropriate state of mind. However, he is gone, and the neighborhood is well rid of him. His successor promises to be quite a blessing to the neighborhood. Only the other day he had all the old women of the neighborhood to dine with him, and each found half-a-crown under her plate."

That was the way in which rumors dealt with Anthony; and Anthony, as he read it, seemed to feel as if a great pall came down from the sky, and overspread the whole earth.

And what was the other paragraph? Seemingly a very unimportant one. Only a name among the list of deaths. But this name was the name of

his one friend—his last hope and refuge.

He dropped on a pile of stones, and every gesture seemed to say, "I contend no longer! Life is not worth all this toil!"

The sun was just fading in a rich trail of glory. He watched it even as he bent his head on his elbows, which were supported on his kneewatched it fade and fade, saw the darkness slowly steal on and envelope everything, saw the stars come out, felt the fresh but chilly breath of evening, and shivered; but still he sat, even when he

could gaze no longer.

And then lower and lower sank the head—lower and lower sank the once stout heart. Wealth, Clarissa, his good name, his hopes of a futurewere they not all as rich and glewing as that sunset? and, like that, had they not all gone down? The sun would rise again: 'his sun—never! never! Teazs—bitter tears, oczed forth. He could have

borne all but to be thus spoken of to the world. His very name was dear to him in one sense-it was unpolluted by any act of dishonor—it might one day be a household word. All that was good now. His name stank in the place where he had been so happy and so much respected-so much looked up to

He knew that he ought to spring up with fresh activity, and take fate, as it were, by the throat, and compel her to obedience and justice. He only dropped down lower and lower, where he sat, till there seemed but a shapeless man, like a rock of stone, visible through the darkness.

How long he remained in that terrible stupor of When he was awakened from it, it was by a light touch on his shoulder.
"Esau!"

In an instant he was on his feet.

"See! - quick! they're after me! Let me

The boy was panting with affright and swift

"They?—who?" And Anthony vainly strove to pierce the darkness above the long whitish slope of the road, up which he and Esau had

"There they are!" again panted Esau. "Don't you hear the horse and the cart?"
"They shan't touch you. Stay, Esau; don't be

coward?" Anthony laid his hand upon the boy's shoulder,

who was trembling with excitement, and said:

"They must deal with me before they touch
you. Why, Esau, I used to think you the bravest
and I had ever met with."

Esau was unaccountably silent, and before Anthony could got any explanation, a cart drove up containing two men, who instantly leaped out, leaving the horse, which seemed to have been

trained to stand during ticklish operations.

The first man who approached needed but to speak a single word to be known to the boy. He is also well known to us as Bob the Ostler. The single word was:

Esan !" "What do you what with this lad?" demanded Anthony.

"What's that to you? Curse your impudence! Ain't I his parent? What do you want with him, my bully boy?"

Esau, is that true? Is he your father?" The lad's hands were cold and damp, Anthony felt. He pressed them, and tried to reassure the

boy.
"I don't want to go with him! I won't go!" "Then you shan't!" said Anthony. "There, my friends, you have your answer, and had better

"Here's a pretty cock of the walk! Jim, let's hear the cock of your pistol; he can see mine, and he shall feel it, if seeing won't do."

Jim's pistol was heard only too plainly. Anthony tried to reason with them, but they only

Suddenly, when he had turned to see what Bob vas at-who made some threatening movem towards Esau—he found his arms pinioned from behind by a grasp so powerful, that after a mighty struggle he relaxed all effort, and felt he was powerless—weakened, no doubt, by hunger and

"Can yer manage him for a couple of minutes?"
"Can I? Ax him!" was the reply of Bob's worthy associate.

"Run, Esau, run!" shouted Anthony.
But it was too late. Bob had tripped him up at
he first sign of movement, and the lad, in spite of his struggles—which were still accompanied by a reticence of speech quite foreign to Esau's habits, and that amazed Anthony, even amidst all the distractions of the moment—was carried in his father's arms to the cart, and tied fast in it, as Anthony could hear by the remark:
"There, you varmint! You'll run away agin

from your nateral parent and lawful guv'nor, will you? All right, Jim. Let him go. Pm ready

for him if he meddles with you."

But Jim had his own mode of securing his personal safety. Wth a very slight effort, yet one that only a skilful, probably professional, pugilist could so successfully have practised on Anthony, who was wary and watchful for any chance that might offer, he suddenly, without relaxing his grip, drew Anthony backwards over the rough ground, and so disturbed the latter's balance, that when he let go and slipped aside and struck Anthony in passing, the latter could do no other than go headlong to the ground.

In an instant he was on his feet pursuing the

ruffian in spite of his weapon. But Jim reached the cart before Anthony, who stopped a little way off, and cried to Esau:

"Seek me at the Magnet, Esau, if you can't tell no where to seek you!'

They were driving off when again Anthony alled out:

"Esau! Esau! what's his name?" "Ax the halderman's ghost, and he'll tell you,

and spell it for you, if yor ain't a scholar-d'ye 8-T-O-N-O-R!" "Stop, stop! one moment, I conjure you! Esau,

Esau! My kinsman, brother! I'll find you if I hunt you over the world."

No answer. The ruflians had gagged the boy.

AN AFFLICTED EDITOR.—The Charlottesville (Va.) Chronicle has grown desperate over the learning that surrounds him: "Charlottesville is fairly entitled to be called the literary centre of the South. There is, first, the University of Virginia, with its learned professors on all sorts of subjects. Then we have two large female seminaries, where young ladies learn thirty feasors on all sorts of subjects. Then we have two large female seminaries, where young ladies learn thirty or forty things ending in —ology. Then we have some half-dozen first-class academies for boys. Then several select schools. Then s number of schools for the English branches. And then the whole colored population, of all sexes and ages, is repeating from morning to night, a-b-ab, e-b-ob; i-b-ib; o-a-c-cat; d-og-dog; o-u-p-; etc.—through all the varieties of the lesson in orthography. There are some four or five colored schools, and little negro chaps darken every door with primers in their hands. If we peap into a shoemaker's shop it is a-b-ab; if we peap into a shoemaker's shop it is a-b-ab; if we peap into a shoemaker's shop it is a-b-ab; if we peap into a shoemaker's shop it is a-b-ab; the diming-room's ervent washes up his dishes and plates crying a-b-ab; jerry blacks boots, saying with rapid strokes, a-b-ab; the whole air is resonant with a-b-ab. The little yellow boy who sleeps in our chamber swoke us the other night, muttering a-b-ab. Mr. Greeley has stirred up thunder here. If you send a little negro boy on an errand, he is spelling everything he meets in one syllable. The little white boys look at them wonderingly and try to cork them. In a month or so we expect to issue an evening edition of the Carositel in monosyllables, to increase our circulation—perhaps a pictorial, with tubs and spades, and ants and cows, and owls and bats—like the primers.

#### FUN FOR THE FAMILY.

There is a Methodist preacher out West whose praise is thus sounded by a contemporary; "I have repeatedly heard the most famous men in America, but there are times when the fame of his pithos licks the overlasting fills with a roar that moves your soul to depth fathomed by few other men!"

Our little lives are kept in equipoise
By struggles of two opposite desires.
The struggles of the instinct that enjoys,
And the more noble instinct that aspir

JOSH BILLINGS ON SHANGHAIS.—The shanchi reuster is a gintile, and speaks in a forun tung. He is tilt on piles like our Sandy Hill trane. If he had bin bill with legs he wad recembul the peruvian lams. He is not a game animal, but quite often comes of second best in a ruft and tumble fite; like the injust that kant stand civilication, and are fast disappearing. The roost on the ground similar tew the must-turble. The often go to sleep standing, and sum times pitch over, and when they dow they enter the ground like a pickare. There feed consists uv corn in the ear. The crow like a jackase troubled with the bronkeesucks. The will est as much tu onst as a district skule master, and gen-rally sit down rite oph tew keep from tipping over. The are dreadful unhandy to kook, you have to bile one end uv them to a time, you hant get them swl into a potanh kittle tu oust. The female reasor lays an egg as big as a kokeenut, and is sick for a week afterwards, and when she hatches out a litter of young shanghis, she has to brood over them standing, and then kant kiver but 3 uv them, the rest stand around on the outside, like bove around a cirkus tent, giting a peep under the 'kanvass when ever they can. The man who first brought the breed into this country ought to own them all and be be obliged tow feed them on grasshoppers caught bhand. I never owned but one, and he got choked to death by a kink to a clothes line, but not till he had swallowed 18 feet ovit. Not enny shangh for me, it you pleze; I would rather board a traveling colporter, and as for easting one, give me a biled out rare done, or a turkee buzzard, reasted hole, and stuffed with a pair of njun rabber boots, but not enny shangh for me, not a shanghi!

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The latest French story is briefly this: Monsteur X., intemperate farmer, is found dead in bed. Village physician works 36 hours on him without leaving bedside; no go. Funeral ordered; procession of villagers; chants and things; Monsieur X. had money, hence citizens admire his character, and so does curate; chief mourner is daughter of Monsieur X., dumb and sweet 16—pleasant combination—sad ceremony goes on; coffin is about to be lowered; noise is heard inside; undertakers fly; courageous doctor rushes forward; M. X. steps forth alive and well, but very thirsty; dumb daughter suddenly exclaims men pere; surprise of everybody; denouement; reward of virtue.

A GENTLEMAN Walking on Broadway stepped

A GENTLEMAN walking on Broadway stepped on a piece of melon skin and fell to the pavement. "Waifer," of the Express, at once exclaimed, "there's another individual trying to do the European tour at home—he's just taken a trip on the ried!"

Action he's just taken a trip on the read!"

Action in a New York mercantile establishment relates a colloquy from which a sprightly youth the same store came out second best. A poor boy ame along with his machine, inquiring:

"Any knives or scissors to grind?"

"Don't think we have," replied the young gentleman, facetiously; "but can't you sharpen wite?"

"Kes, if you've got any," was the prompt response, saving the interrogator rather at a loss to produce the

A CLERGYMAN and one of his elderly parishioners were walking home from church one frosty day
lately when the old gentleman slipped and fell flat on
his back. The minister, looking at him a memeat, and
being assured that he was not much hurt, said to him:
"Friend, sinners stand on slippery places."
The old gentleman looked up, as if to assure himself
of the fact, and said:
"I see they do, but I can't."

"ALWAYS buy your chestnuts biled," said Mrs. Snow to Abimilech, who was about investing a penny in that commodity, "cause the raw ones want looking after, and the wormy ones you have to throw away; but with the biled ones it don't make no difference—worms can't hurt nobody when they're biled."

A LETTER writer describing the fashionable A LETTER where describing the hashormone etumes as he saw them on Chestaut street, Phila-lphia, says: "I observed that the prevailing style of garter was

The style of the dress enabled him to make the ob-

-, on one occasion, received no fee Dil. —, on the occasion, received no fee for marrying a parsimonious couple, and raceting them several months after in social gathering took up the baby and exclaimed:

"I believe I have a mortgage on this child!"
Baby's finter, rather than have an explanation before the company, quietly handed over a five dollar bill.

TOPER'S EXCUSE.

Then to the Lord old Noah mid. "Then to the Lord old Noan said, The water now tasies vary bad; Because there have been drowned therein All beasts and sinners in their sin— "Its therefore, Lord I ever think I would prefer some other drink."

A London paper says that "her Majesty is ill pleased to mours for the late Prince Consort!" The Punctual Man.—Mr. Higgins was a by punctual man in all his transactions through THE PUNCTUAL MAN.—Mr. Higgins was a very punctual man in all his transactions through life. He amassed a large fortune by untiring industry and punctuality; and at the advancing age of 90 years was resting quietly on his bed, and calmly writing to be called away. He had deliberately made almost every arrangement for his decease and burial. His pulse grew fainter, and the light of life seemed just flickering in its socket, when one of his some observed: "Father, you will prybably live both, day or two; is it not well for you to name your beared."
"To be sure, my son," said the dying man; it is well thought of, and I will do it now."
He gave the names of six, the usual number, and sank back exhausted upon his pillow.
A gleam of thought passed over his withered features like a ray of light, and he railled once more. My son, read me the list. Is the name of Mr. Wiggins there?"

"It is, father."

"Then strike it off!" said he, emphatically, "for he

was never punctual—was never anywhere in seas and he might hinder the procession a whole hour." In the castles and palaces of the ancient ex-In the castles and pances of the ancient ex-nobility of France, the tapestry frequently presents memorials of their pride of ancestry. On the tapestry of an apartment in the palace of the ex-Duke of Choiseul is a representation of the Deluge, in which a man is seen running after Noah, and calling out, "My good friend, save the archives of the Choiseul family."

man is seen running after Noah, and calling out, "My good triend, save the archives of the Choiseni family," SOMEBODY has found out a new way of taking pictures, by which they can be taken better in the right than in the day-time. A photographer has missed several from the frames that hang by his door, and doesn't approve of the new plan.

WHEN IS A MAN DEUM?—The Troy Press furnishes the following seaver-sation which took place in the police court in that city. It settles the much disputed question—" When is a man drunk?"

Lawyer—Was Mr. Graham drunk?

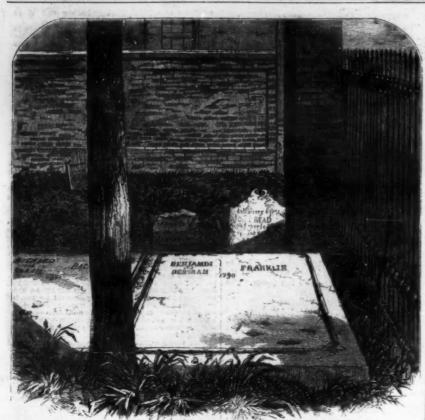
Witness—(Metaphysically)—Well, l'ill tell you. I don't think he was drunk, because it is pretty hard to tell when a man is really drunk.

L.—Then you have got enlarged ideas on the subject of drunk?

W.—Yes, sir. I call a person sober as long as he can walk straight and not stagger.

L.—As long as he don't fall in the gutter?

W.—Yes, air; and don't catch hold of the grass to keep himself from rolling over?



TOMB OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN AND DEBORAH FRANKLIN, CORNER OF PIFTH AND ARCH STRLETS, PHILADELPHIA.

#### OUR SOCIAL WANTS.

GROWTH, to be perfect, must be uniform. When one member of a body increases in size more rapidly than the others, the result is deformity. On the other hand, when the growth of one part is retarded, while the whole increases, that which should be a limb is only an excrescence. And this is true, not only of animal and vegetable but also of social life, and of the conditions of civilization

mong which we exist.

A great city is planted near the sea, in a position urpassed for natural beauty, for safety and for behind it, no less than to the fleets from foreign nations that flock thither to trade. Its growth is at first slow. The crest of the ridge which, on at net slow. The crest of the ridge which, on each side slopes gradually to the waters washing its shores, becomes naturally the chief, as it is, the most commanding thoroughfare. The streets leading from this ridge to the edges of the waters have their position and direction determined almost by chance; a sequestered path, leading to meadows beyond the city limits, becomes, in time, a lane, and that, in its turn, a street, keeping for ever the tortuous course originally given it; or some rampart, in early times designed to repel a lurking enemy, bestows alike its name and its di-rection on its modern descendant.

But, in process of time, this city grows and be-

comes famous, and the length of its streets is measured by miles instead of yards. Still, as before, the leading thoroughfare lies along the ridge, and the streets diverging from it to the right and left increase in length. Their direction, right and left increase in length. Their direction, however, is no longer an affair of caprice. In proportion as the city recedes from the aper of the triangular piece of land on which it stands, so do its dimensions in width increase, and an uniform plan is laid down by law, according to which the growth longitudinally follows the lines of certain avenues, and laterally by equidistant

So far in our goodly city of New York, of which,

no doubt, by this time, the reader is well aware we are writing, its growth has been well cared for as regards its uniformity. As the avenues have in-creased in length, houses and habitations of various degrees of beauty and usefulness have lined their sides, while the cross streets, reaching from the waters on the east to those on the west have few vacant spots yet unbuilt upon. All this, so far, is most excellent. A splendid city has sprung up, and its increase, during the past few years, seems almost like a work of enchantment but when we come to look at the means provided but when we come to look at the means provided for moving from place to place in this immense hive of humanity, the disproportion, the want of harmony between the enormous distances, and the means of overcoming them, strike a stranger with a sense of pain, even if the inconvenience be not brought home to him in a practical manner. The complaint, to be sure, is not a new one. For some years past it has been periodically brought before the public in many and various forms. The true remedy will in time, and perhaps very speedily, be applied; and the wonder of people will then be that they had so long endured an evil, of which the cure was so simple.

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The development, however, of the means of transportation naturally, and in the first place, takes the direction of the chief lines of travel, and those are, "up-town" and "down-town." Whether the street cars perform all they were designed for we do not intend now to discuss, nor whether—a still wider question—they perform their duties in the best possible manner. But, certainly, they do carry, in some way or other, from their homes to their daily business, and from business to their homes, an enormous number of those who, but for the facilities (such as they are) thus afforded them, would be compelled to lose much valuable time in walking. All, however, do not want to go "down-town," to attend to business, or prefer to do so at their leisure, and society is assuming a phase in which the numbers of these are rapidly increasing, and what are they to do?

What, again, are those to do who wish to go "acros what, again, are those to do who wish to go "across town," to travel laterally and not longitudinally, in this good city of Gotham? Suppose you are in Union square, a heavy shower of rain comes on, or some pressing occasion calls you to the foot of Fourteenth street, N. R., how are you to go there? Only a choice of evils awaits you. Walk, and get through for the heavest of your doctor possiwet through, for the benefit of your doctor possi-bly, and certainly of your milliners, madam, or of your tailors, sir, and of your own great discom-fort and cost; or call a heavy, lumbering vehicle, fit only for a funeral procession, from which it has probably just returned, and be charged a dollar, heaides enduring the inscleme of one of the most besides enduring the insolence of one of the most insolent set of men in the city.

Yet our vaunted civilization can produce nothing better than this. If you want a vehicle, for ever so short a distance, you are ademned to violate your sense of fitness by hiring two horses, when one would answer every purpose, and a carriage that holds four persons (six for funeral occasions) when one of half the size would be more than enough. And you are charged in propor-tion, not of your need, but of the need of the man that drives you. Even this miserable excrescence of our society, the two-horse carriage or hackney coach (we be-lieve that in London the last of the species is preserved as a curiosity in one of the museums), is not always to be procured when dire necessity compels a quick journey out of the car routes. Imagine yourself in Hanover square or Wall

street, through the exigencies of business five minutes behind time for the steamboat at one of the piers on the North River; you would probably pay five dollars rather than miss the last chance of getting home that night; but of getting home that night; but fifty will not procure you the means of atoning, by a horse's speed, for your irreparable delay. What, then, shall we do to get rid of this blot

upon our character as a go-shead people? What shall we substitute for the massive, lumbering, two-horse concerns, fit only for civic or funeral processions, that render life a burden to those compelled to use them? Is there no escape from the exorbitant charge of fifty cents per mile for selves by restoring lost property.

one, and twenty-five cents for each additional person? Is there no cure for the personal abuse with which a payment of the legal fare is received, or the in-solence with which its double is generally demanded? Let us see.

If New York were the first and only city that had suffered from overgrowth, or in which the distances were too great for simple pedestrians, we might hesitate as to the solution of the problem. Fortunately it is not, and in the cab systems of London and Paris we may learn how other crowded and civilised communities avoid the evils from which we now suffer, and which have reached a height which imperatively 'demand reform. Our illustration, No. 1, shows the average New York cab (gross

misnomer) of the present day, in all its unweldiness of breadth, and height, and length. Contrast with it illustration No. 2, of the average London Brougham cab, its lightness, its handiness, in one word, its adaptability; or No. 3, the Hansom cab, made to thread its way through crowded streets, take short cuts, and catch departing trains against all odds of time and distances. Of these public conveyances there are in London over 5,000. Fancy New York with one-third of the number, distributed at fifty convenient points between the Central Park and the Battery! Imagine the ased comfort to life; the enhanced value to real estate at points beyond the present termini

of the street cars and the om-nibuses; and the blessings of the fair sex, who will not find it necessary any longer to re-nounce all acquaintances and friends living more than four

"blocks" away.
In London the rates of the cab fare are regulated by the distance or by the time, at the option of the hirer. The numbers of the cabs are attached to them in large legible figures, and the them are hung conspicuously inside. The following are the rates of fare, reduced to cur-rency at the present price at gold, for the convenience of our readers :

Fares by Distance for Two

Persons.

Eighteen cents for any distance within and not exceeding one mile.

one mile.

For any distance exceeding one mile, at the rate
of eighteen cents for every mile, and for any part
of a mile not completed. or a mile not complete.

The driver is to drive at a proper and reaso able speed, not less than six miles an hour, unle in cases of unavoidable delay,

Fares by Time for Two Persons.

For any time within and not exceeding one hour, seventy-two cents.

Eighteen cents for every afteen minutes, or any part of afteen minutes not completed, above one hour. The driver may be required to drive at any rate at exceeding four miles an hour.

Of the regulations of this establishment, of the manner in which the rights and interests of the public are protected, of the easy and inexpensive remedy for complaints, it is not necessary now to enlarge. Many of these are only adapted to the emarge. Many of these are only adapted to the locality where they prevail, and would be unsuited to the genius of our people, but when the system itself can once be grafted upon our community, the proper regulation of it will be a matter of

little or no difficulty.

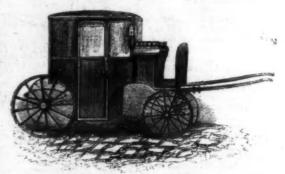
In Paris the system is again different, and we now proceed to describe it. The city is surrounded by barriers, and within these, a diameter of about six miles, only a single rate is charged;



THE NEW YORK COACH.

that is, you may go any distances within these bounds for a charge of thirty-seven cents in our currency. If any stoppage is made, however, the "course," as it is called, recommences. If hired "course," as it is called, recommences. If hired by the hour the charge is sixty cents of our currency, and in hiring it is always advisable to agree with the driver whether you are to be carried by the "course," or by the hour.

One excellent regulation exists by which the driver is obliged to hand to each person engaging his cab a ticket bearing his number, so that any article left in the vehicle can be easily reclaimed, and the municipality gives, every year, a prize to the drivers who have most distinguished them-



THE LONDON BROUGHAM.

Within the past few weeks there may have been observed in our streets some small one horse cabs, with nothing to distinguish them from private carriages, except a general air of shabbi-ness in the vehicles, and untidiness in the drivers. These, we are told, ply for hire, at a reduced rate of fare from the large, lumbering concerns we, in the interests of the public, have condemned. It is reported that they are set up under some recent State law, and are owned by some company. Be this as it may, we hail these conveyances as the pioneers of a new and a better system. But let us exhort the proprietors to lay aside the timid, hesitating way in which they



THE JOHN SMITH SECRE, IN THE GROUNDS OF MR. MATO, RICHMOND, VA.



THE LONDON HANSOM.

have come before their patrons. They need not blush for their enterprise, nor be ashamed of small beginnings. We assure them the public will welcome with enthusiasm anything in the shape of cheap and rapid means of locomotion. Let these cabe, if really for hire, have written Let these cabs, if result for fire, have written upon them in large and logible characters that they are so. We recommend a large plate on the door, or on the back of the vehicle, bearing the number of the licence, and the name of the company, if there he one, to whom the public is so much indebted. Above all things, let us know what their fares are, and let these he as low as is

consistent with a fair return on the capital. And let them not fear that the market can be overstocked, that too many cabs can be found in the streets, or on widely distributed stands, that the drivers can be too civil, that the houses can be too drivers can be too civil, that the horses can be too good, or their carriages too clean. Let us know where complaints can be made, where they will be respectfully listened to, and prompt remedies applied. Companies are organised for the prompt deliveries of messages and parcels. Is the prompt conveyance of our bodies likely to meet with less public favor than these?

#### RAILROAD INCIDENT-THE META-MORPHOSIS.

WE looked towards the young lady for a con-cluding tale of the train, and that Scheherezade of our compartment, without the least pretence of incapacity or hoarseness, communicated at once the following adventure, "Although," she commenced, "I am often com-

"Athough," and commenced, "I am orien com-pelled to travel without a companion" (the com-mercial traveller sighed), "yet have I such a dis-like to the company of babies and sick folk, that I never make a journey in the ladies' carriage. Only once, however, have I suffered any inconvenience through my unprotected condition, and that exception occurred very lately, and upon this very line. After I had taken my seat one morning at Paddington, in an empty carriage, I was joined, just as the train was moving off, by a strange-looking young man, with remarkably long flowing hair. He was, of course, a little hurried, but he seemed besides to be so disturbed and wild that I was quite alarmed, for fear of his not being in his right mind, nor did his subsequent conduct at all right mind, nor did his subsequent conducts an reassure me. Our train was an express, and he inquired eagerly, at once, which was the first station whereat we were advertised to stop. I consulted my Bradshaw and furnished him with the required information. It was Reading. The young man looked at his watch.
""Madam,' said he, 'I have but half an hour

'by your kind and courageous conduct you have saved my life, and, perhaps, even your own.'

"In another minute he was gone, and the train was in motion. Not till the next morning did I learn from the Times newspaper that the gentleman on whom I had operated as haircutter had committed a forgery to an enormous amount, in London, a few hours before I met him, and that he had been tracked into the express train from Paddington; but that—although the telegraph had been put in motion and described him accurately—at Reading, when the train was searched, he was nowhere to be found."

#### THE JOHN SMITH STONE.

WITH the march of improvement the old land-marks of our history are being swept away one by one, and, we regret to say, that we are not a people to perpetuate them, either by preservation upon the spots of their origination or by removing them

the spots of their origination or by removing them to a museum.

The illustration we give is that of of the "John Smith Stone," to which an authentic legend has attached a peculiar interest, as the identical spot whereon the brave captain lay when about to be sacrificed to the ire of the great chief Powhatan, and from which fearful death he was rescued by the heartist legentre. the beautiful Pocahontas. The story is too familiar to be repeated, and we believe has never been

disputed.

The stone is in grounds of Mr. Mayo, brother of the former Mayor of Richmond, and is within a mile or two of the city, and a spot that is visited by every sightseer who visits that now historical

#### THE INDIAN MESMERIST.

Whilet at Bijnore, I was seized with an attack of tic-doloreux, and suffered all its extreme agonies. One of my host's servants informed me that there was a very clever native doctor in the village, who could immediately assuage any pain—



TTEMS OF TRAVEL-THE INDIAN MESMEEIST.

between me and, it may be, ruin. Excuse, there-

of scissors in your workbag. Oblige me, if you please, by cutting off all my hair.'

"'Sir,' said I, 'it is impossible.'

"'Madam,' he triged, and a look of severe determination crossed his features; 'I am a desperate man. Beware how you refuse me what I ask. Cut my hair off, short elees to the recet ask. Cut my hair off-short, close to the roots-immediately; and here is a newspaper to hold the

ambrosial curls." "I thought he was mad, of course; and believing that it would be dangerous to thwart him, I cut of all his hair to the last lock.

"'Now madam,' said he, unlocking a small portmanteau, 'you will further oblige me by looking out of window, as I am about to change my

. Of course I looked out of window for a very considerable time, and when he observed, 'Madam, I need no longer put you to any inconvenience did not recognise the young man in the least.

"Instead of his former rather gay costume, he was attired in black, and wore a gray wig and silver spectacles; he looked like a respectable divine of the Church of England, of about 64 years of age; to complete that character, he held a volume of sermons in his hand, which—they appeared so to absorb him-might have been his-own.

"'I do not wish to threaten you, young lady, he resumed, 'and I think, besides, that I can trust your kind face. Will you promise me not to reveal this metamorphosis until your journey's

"'I will,' said I, 'most certainly.

"At Reading, the guard and a person in plain clothes looked into our carriage.

"'You have the ticket, my love,' said the ye man, blandly, and looking at me as though he were my father.

"" Never mind, sir; we don't want them,' said the official, as he withdrew with his companion. "'I shall now leave you, madam,' observed my ellow-traveller, as soon as the coast was clear; toothache for instance—and he begged permission to bring him to see me. I cons

tive doctor was a tall, thin Mussulman with a lofty forehead, small black eyes, long aquiline nose, and finely chiselled mouth and chin. His hair, eyebrows and long beard were of a yel-His hair, eyobrows and long beard were of a yellowish white or cream color. Standing before me in his skull-cap, he was about the most singular-looking person I ever beheld. His age did not exceed forty-four or forty-five years. He put several questions to me, but I was in too great pain to give him any replies. He begged of me to sit down. I obeyed him, mechanically. Scating himself in a chair immediately opposite to me, he looked vary intently into my eyes. After a he looked very intently into my eyes. After a little while, his gaze became disagreeable, and l endeavored to turn my head aside, but I was unable to do so. I now felt that I was being mes-merised. Observing, I suppose, an expression of anxiety, if not of fear, on my features, he bade me not be alarmed. I longed to order him t cease; but, as the pain was becoming less and less acute, and as I retained my consciousness intact, I suffered him to proceed. To tell the truth, I doubt whether I could have uttered a sound. At all events, I did not make the attempt. Presently, that is to say, after two or minutes, the pain had entirely left me, and I felt what is commonly called, all in a glow. native doctor now removed his eyes from off mine and inquired if I were better. My reply, which I had no difficulty in giving at once, affirmative; in short, that I was completely cured.

Observing that he placed his hands over his head and pressed his skull, I asked him if he were suffering.

"Yes, slightly," was his reply. "But I am so constomed to it, it gives me but little incon

I then begged of him to explain to me how it was that he had the power to afford me such mirr culous relief. That, he said, he was unable to de He did not know. I then talked to him of me. merism, and of the wonderful performances of Doctor Esdaile in the Calcutta hospital. He had



BAILBOAD INCIDENT-THE METAMORPHOUS

lately heard of mesmerism, he said; but, years before he heard of it, he was in the habit of curing people by assuaging their pain. The gift had been given to him soon after he attained manhood. That, with one exception, and that was in the case of a Keranee—a half-caste—no patient had ever fallen asleep, or had become beehosh (unconscious), under his gaze. "The case of the half-caste," he went on to say, "alarmed me. He half-case, he went on to say, another me. He fell asleep for twelve hours, snoring like a man in a state of intoxication." I was not the first European he had operated upon, he said; that in Bareilly, where he formerly lived, he had afforded relief to many officers and to several laddes. Some had toothache, some tic-doloreux, some other pains. "But," he exclaimed, energetically, "the most extraordinary case I ever had, was that of a sahib who had gone mad—'drink delirious.' His wife would not suffer him to be strapped down, and he was so violent that it took four or five other sahibs to hold him. I was sent for, and, at first, had great difficulty with him and much trembling. At last, however, I locked his eyes up, as soon as I got him to look at me, and kept him for several hours as quiet as a mouse, during which time he had no brandy, no wine, no beer; and, though he did not sleep, he had a good long rest. I stayed did not sleep, he had a good long rest. I stayed with him for two days, and whatever I told him to do he did immediately. He had great sorrow on his mind, poor man. Three of his children had died of fever within one short week, and he had lost much money by the [failure of an agency-house in Calcutta. There was a cattle sergeant, too, an European, whom I also cured of that drinking madness by locking up his eyes."

"What do you mean by locking-up his eyes?"

"Well, what I did with you; I locked up your eyes. When I got his eyes fixed on mine, he could not take them awa—could not move."

"But can you look up any one's eyes in the way
that you looked up mine?"
"No; not everybody's. There was an artillery captain once who defied me to lock up his eyes. I tried very hard; but, instead of locking up his, he locked up mine, and I could not move till he permitted me. And there was a lady, the wife of a judge, who had pains in the head, which I could not cure, because she locked up my eyes. With her I trembled much, by straining every nerve,

but it was of no use.'

"Do you know any other native who has the

"Do you know any other native who has the same power that you possess?"

"Only three; but, I dare say, there may be hundreds in these provinces who have it, and who use it. And now, sahib," said the native doctor, taking from his kummerbund (the cloth that encircles the waist) a bundle of papers, "I desire to show you some of my certifi-cates, at the same time to beg of you to pardon my apparent want of respect in appearing in your presence in this skull-cap, instead of a turban; but the fact is, that when I heard you were in such great pain, I did not think it humane to delay until I had adorned myself."

I proceeded to examine, very carefully, every one of his many certificates; not that I was in any way interested in them, but because I knew it would afford him great pleasure. In all, they were quite as numerous as those which English charlatans publish in testimony of their skill in extracting corns. They were more elaborate, however; for it is by the length of a certificate that a native it is by the length of a certificate that a native judges of its value—just in the same way that Partridge, when Tom Jones took him to see Hamlet, admired the character of the King, because he spoke louder than any of the company, "anybody could see that he was a king. As for myself, I sat down and covered a whole sheet of foolscap in acknowledgment of my gratitude to Mustapha Khan Bahadoor, for having delivered me from unendurable torments. To my certificate I penned a cheque on the North-West Bank me from unendurable torments. To my certificate I penned a cheque on the North-West Bank for one hundred rupees (fifty dollars), and presenting both documents to the doctor, permitted him to take his leave. Some mouths afterwards, on discovering that this cheque had not been presented for payment, I wrote to the assistant magistrate, and asked him, as a favor, to send for the native doctor, and obtain some information on the subject. In reply, I was informed that the doctor preferred keeping the cheque appended to my preferred keeping the cheque appended to my certificate, as an imperishable memorial of the extraordinary value in which his services had been held by an European gentleman, and that he would not part with it for ten times the amount in gold or silver. Such a strange people are the natives of India. Their cupidity is enormous, certainly, but their vanity (I am speaking of the better class) is even greater. One hundred rupees was equal to half a year's estraings of the native doctor, and



A SCRAP OF RISTORY-ABOUT RESURSE TIONISTS

yet he preferred holding the useless autograph of an ineignificant sahib like myself for the amount, rather than realise it. The native doctor evidently reasoned thus: "I might spend the one hundred rupees, might not be believed if I made the assertion that I had received it; but here is the voucher." Some may imagine that he kept it as a sort of decoy-duck; but this, I am perfectly

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"Yee, Sahib," was the repty. And he began a long

"Yes, Sahih," was the reply. And he began a long pry-false from beginning to end; but every word of the the Bengalee writer took down. He spoke, and the vehemence, for about 35 minutes, when, having apped—sither finally or to take breath—the assistant agterists gave the signal to the latter, by waving his act. The crock was then pulled from under the parit by the two policemen, and down dangled the cul-tr's body, the feet not more than 18 inches from the ound.

privish body, the feat not more than 18 inches from the ground.

They are not adopts in the art of hanging in India; it took the culprit at least 10 minutes to die. At times I feated—no desperate were his struggles—that he would break the beaun, snap the rope, or bring down the whole alphanatus. In the days of Henry Fielding, the vulgar used to speak of hanging as "dancing on nothing," and that horrible idea the Indian culprit, on that morning, smply realised. The reader must not, however, sympathies with his suffering. He had been justly convicted and was justly put to death for murdering, in that very field where he explated his offence, a little girl of seven years of age, in order to possess himself of a silver bangle she wore—a bangle valued at one rupse four amas (half-a-crown of English money). I cannot accuse myself of a cruel or brutal disposition; but, if the monster whom I saw hanged had had a thousand lives instead of one, I could have witnessed the taking of every one of them without a single atom of a deaire to save him.

The cutting down of the culprit, as soon as it was dis-

one of them without a single atom of a desire to save him.

The cutting down of the culprit, as soon as it was discovered that life was extinct (for as there was no crowd of pickpockets and vendors of cakes and gingerbeer to take a moral lesson, the prescribed hour was unnecessary), was quite as primitive as the foregoing part of the operation. One of the native policemon, with his hint sword, severed the rope by sawing it just above the tie, and down came the corpse. I was tempted to jump out of the buggy—in which, sitting between the magistrate and his assistant I had witnessed the execution—and examine, or rather look attensively a the deceased. A finer head, in a phrenological point of view, I had never seen; and across the naked chest was suspended the sacred thread, indicating that the culprit was a Brahmin.

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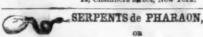
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